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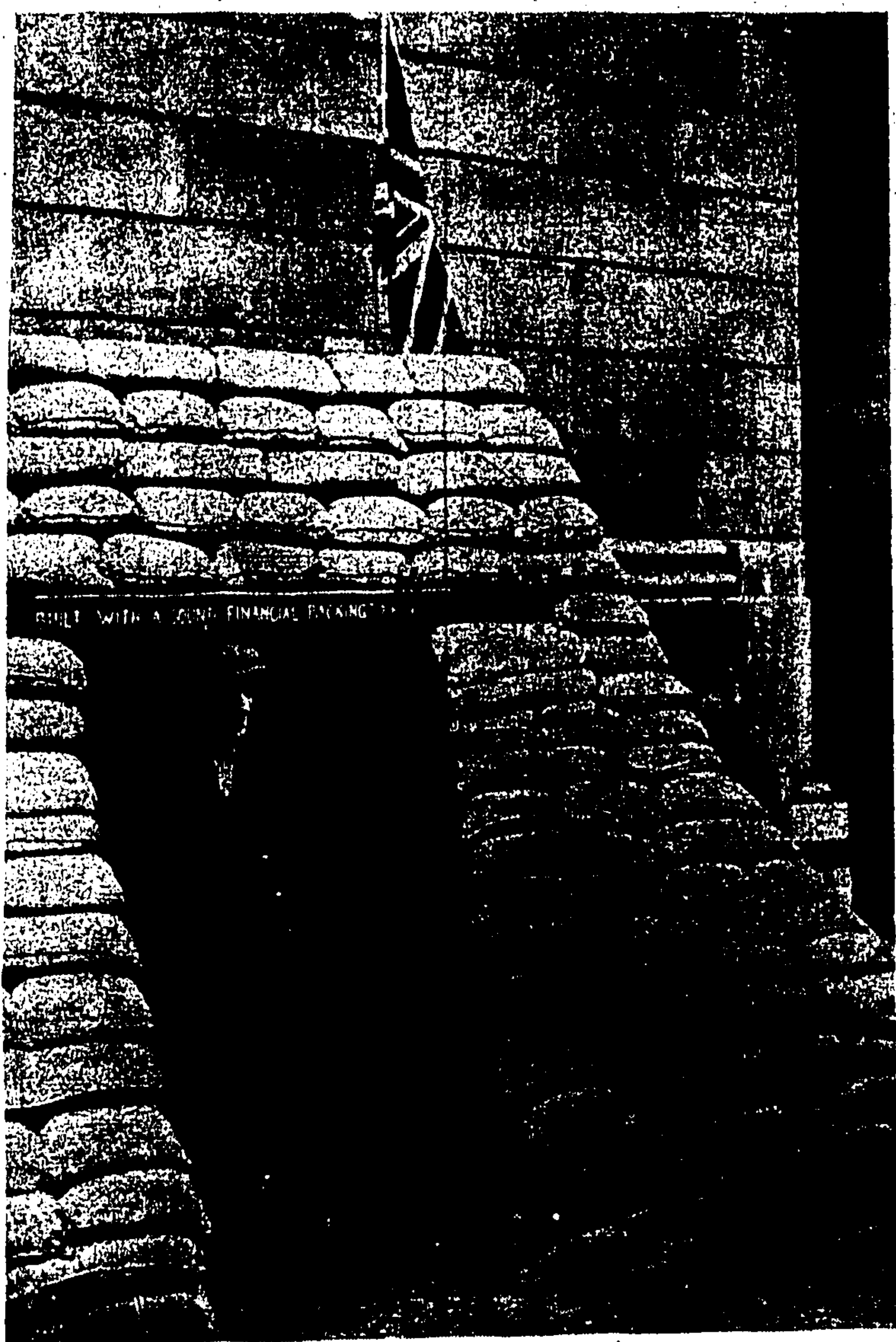
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MOSCOW ORDERS CITY OF FLINT TO LEAVE

London, To-day.

THE MOSCOW WIRELESS announced last night that the American steamer, City of Flint, has been ordered to leave Murmansk as soon as possible.

The ship had been searched, continued the Moscow wireless, and the cargo had been checked. The broadcast made no mention of the American crew or the circumstances in which the ship had been ordered to leave.

It also did not mention whether the City of Flint was leaving under the Nazi flag or not.

A Washington message says that at his press conference yesterday afternoon, Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, said that very little information about the City of Flint had been received from either Berlin or Moscow.

NO-ONE INJURED

It was learned in Washington last night that the German Foreign Office has officially advised the United States Government that no member of the crew of the City of Flint was injured when the ship was captured.—Reuter.

INCOME TAX OBJECTIONS

A lengthy statement containing the various objections to the Income Tax proposal was submitted by the Hong Kong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce to the three Chinese representatives on the Legislative Council, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau and the Hon. Mr. Li Tse-fong

ISOLATION GROUP DEFEATED

Washington, To-day.

A proposal that a Neutrality Commission be set up to control administrative measures under the revised Neutrality Act was rejected by the Senate yesterday.

The object of the amendment, moved by one of the isolationist group, was to take from President Roosevelt the powers of decision granted to the President under the Bill.

Another amendment defeated would have prohibited all export of bombing planes.—Reuter.

late last night.

The "China Mail" understands that members of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce are to meet shortly to discuss the question.

TENSION IN POLAND REPORTED

London, Oct. 22.

Relations between German and Soviet troops in Poland are most tense, according to refugees who came to Ruthenia, from Poland, the Budapest correspondent of the "News-Chronicle" reported to-day.

A reliable witness declares that hundreds of Soviet tanks are heading westward to strengthen the Russian troops along the line of demarcation in Poland.

German propaganda is most active in the Polish-occupied by Soviet troops. Agents distribute pamphlets stating that by next spring the Germans will have crushed British and French troops and will then turn over the Polish state to the Soviet Union, thus making it an independent country.

Other witnesses assert that the anti-Semitic measures taken by the Germans in Poland are even worse than those adopted in Germany.—Reuter.

FAR EAST GERMANS GOING HOME

Moscow, Oct. 21.

Hundreds of Germans coming from China, Japan, the Philippine Islands, and other Far Eastern regions, are passing through Soviet Russia on their way to join the colours in the Reich.

Many of the men are technicians, others business men, while a large number are young men affected by mobilization orders.

It is expected that many more will follow suit and return to Germany to enlist in the armed forces.—Hayas.

TURKISH TROOPS STORY DENIED

Ankara, To-day.

The Turkish Government issued formal denial of reports alleging that Turkish troops were being massed on Turkey's eastern frontiers.—Reuter.

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SOVIET DEMANDS TO WHICH FINLAND CANNOT YIELD

Helsingfors, To-day.

A FINNISH FOREIGN OFFICE spokesman says that the Soviet demands include certain points on which Finland cannot yield.

No indication of what these are is given, but the Finnish Foreign Minister reiterates that Finland is determined to maintain her independence.

The Finnish delegation to Moscow will not leave Helsingfors until the Government has fully considered the Soviet demands and decided on the course to adopt.

Meanwhile, besides the laying of mines, Finnish defence measures include a blackout which will be held in Helsingfors to-night. — Reuter.

SOVIET PREPARING SURPRISE

Paris, To-day.

The Soviet Government is preparing a sensational surprise for the twenty-second anniversary of the Revolution on November 7, according to a Moscow report.

The report states that decrees are being drafted to permit the holding of private property, private farms, free inland trade and private industrial enterprises.

The latter would not be permitted to employ more than 50 workers each. — Reuter.

JAPANESE MENACED AT YOYANG

Changsha, To-day.

Chinese pressure on Yoyang is unrelaxed.

The Japanese have destroyed all trees in the suburbs obstructing their field of fire and observation. Field guns are being positioned in the city.

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IN GERMANY TO-DAY

PROPAGANDA OUT OF DICKENS

MR. SQUEERS THE ENEMY OF EUROPE

THE ORDER SEEMS TO have gone forth recently from Nazi propaganda headquarters to shift the barrage of abuse against British statesmen on to the British character in general.

The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" prints an article in which examples are cited from the novels of Dickens to show that the Germans are faced with a "poisonous, grasping, brutal enemy," full of "cynical contempt for humanity."

The thought of the British blockade seems to have brought to mind a number of famous characters.

Mr. Squeers of Dotheboys Hall is "the classic symbol of that English hypocrisy, which has hounded the Polish nation to destruction to annihilate Hitlerism."

Daniel Quilp is the type of the organisers of the blockade and is compared with Mr. Churchill.

If the author had looked a little closer into his "Nicholas Nickleby" he would have found the last sentence in the prospectus of Dotheboys Hall not inapplicable to Nazi Germany: "No extras. No vacations, and Diet unparalleled."

A speech by Gauleiter Burckel, Hitler's Viceroy in what was once Austria, suggests that there have been uneasy times in that part of the enlarged Reich.

In a speech which seems to be addressed to all opponents of the Nazi regime, past and present, Burckel said that those who had served at the front would no longer be reproached with their "political unreliability." The speech continues:—

Here and there it is alleged against me that I am too much inclined to try to win over the Marxist workers. I declare here and now that I am not only inclined to do so but that I am proud to win those Marxists and then to march out with them shoulder to shoulder, if they take up arms for our people and the National Socialist

State. Whatever may have happened in the past, every man who does his duty is for us not only an equal comrade, but has every claim to become a member of the Party. I state this, whether it pleases or annoys this or that little disappearing clique.

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The speech contained several ambiguous references to "True Socialism," and the "Neues Wiener Tagblatt" comments that Burckel is one of the advocates of the "just social policy" which is "goal set by the Fuhrer for the working man." From this and other symptoms in German newspapers and broadcast material it looks as though "true socialism" is to be the slogan for meeting any possible percolation of Soviet ideas through the frontiers of Central Europe.

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Even the collection of fruit leaves to provide a substitute for tea is being organised with the usual Nazi love of bureaucratic procedure.

A news paragraph runs as follows:

In exemplary fashion the Hesse-Nassau union of allotment holders have thrown open their plots for harvesting blackberry and raspberry leaves. On the appointed days the harvesting will be carried out by the Reich Society for the Study and Production of Medicinal Herbs and supervised by Town Group Leaders in co-operation with local experts.

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SENTENCED CONSTABLE ASKS FAVOUR

Tsou Teh-yuan, a Chinese constable, was sentenced to two months' hard labour by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, when found guilty of extortion of one cent from a hawker.

Mr. M. A. da Silva was for the defence, while Det. Sergeant McPherson conducted the prosecution.

Defendant asked to be placed in a separate cell in prison, fearing that he might be beaten by other prisoners. Permission was granted.

TRAFFIC OFFENDERS

Mrs. E. J. Stevens, of No. 167, Boundary Street, was summoned before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, for failing to report a collision on October 9.

Inspector Clarke said that defendant's car bumped another car in Connaught Road car park, and did not notify the Police.

A fine of \$10 was imposed. Mr. J. Barnett, of the P.W.D. was fined \$5 for parking overtime in Chater Road on October 6.

Mr. W. A. Shea, of Shewan Tomes and Co., was fined a similar sum.

GERMAN CENSORSHIP

Amsterdam, To-day. Telephone communication with Germany has been interrupted since noon yesterday. The reason is unknown.

Telephone communication between Germany and Scandinavia is also interrupted.

The interruption appears to be due to the stiffening up of censorship. — Reuter.

ALLEGED THEFT FROM ROOF

Appearing before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, Lo Sup, 34, was charged with stealing eight iron bars from the roof of the Chitose Hotel yesterday.

Defendant who said he was lame, was remanded 24 hours for medical examination.



This striking picture was taken at a famous Army School of Artillery and shows huge 9.2 howitzer shells ready for firing. (Copyright. By Air Mail).

CITY OF FLINT DETENTION

SOVIET CREATING QUEER DIPLOMATIC PROBLEM: NEUTRAL CONTRABAND!

Moscow, To-day.

THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT has informed the American Government that while the 41 members of the American crew of the City of Flint have been released, the ship will be detained while the cargo is examined for contraband.

No explanation is yet forthcoming as to why cargo on a neutral ship should be examined in a neutral port by a neutral government for contraband.

The 18 members of the German prize crew have been released because, the Soviet authorities say, the ship put into port to repair its engines.

Diplomatic circles in Moscow, however, say that it was the result of representations from Berlin.

German officials have a different explanation. They say that there was no engine trouble, but that the ship was non-navigable because it had no suitable charts. Although it is six days since the City of Flint was seized, the United States Government is still without any information from Berlin. — Reuter.

GERMAN INTENTIONS

Berlin, To-day.

Germany intends to institute prize court proceedings against the City of Flint, it is indicated in an official statement which claims that the vessel is "rightfully and legally detained." — Reuter.

U.S. REPRESENTATIONS

Washington, To-day.

The United States has made several demands to the Soviet Government to release the City of Flint with her crew and cargo, according to an announcement by Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State.

No reply has yet been received although the United States Ambassador had two interviews with the Vice-Commissar of Foreign Affairs. — Reuter.

MAHARAJAH'S GIFT TO "ROYAL OAK" DEPENDENTS

London, To-day.

The Maharajah of Gondal has sent the equivalent of about £7,000 to the Viceroy of India for distribution among the dependants of the men who lost their lives in the Royal Oak. — Reuter.

TELEPHONE LINKS WITH GERMANY CUT

Amsterdam, To-day.

Since noon yesterday, all telephone communications between the Netherlands and Germany and Belgium and Germany have been cut off.

No explanation for this interruption is as yet forthcoming.

Telegraphic communication between Amsterdam and Germany is still being carried on. — Reuter.

ALLEGED CHARITY FRAUD

Alleged to have obtained \$2 by falsely pretending that he had been authorised to collect subscriptions for charity, Tong Chung, 40, was brought before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen this morning.

Complainant was Ho Hing, of No. 34, Jordan Road, Kowloon.

Det. Sergeant J. Johnston requested a remand for three days which was granted.

DUTCH SHIP MISSING

Amsterdam, To-day.

Since the outbreak of the war, Germany has sunk at least 30 neutral ships, and fears are now being expressed for two more, one of which is 4 months overdue and the other has been missing for a fortnight.

They both flew the Netherlands flag and were both plying between neutral ports, the former from Sweden to Amsterdam, the latter from Antwerp to Riga. — Reuter.

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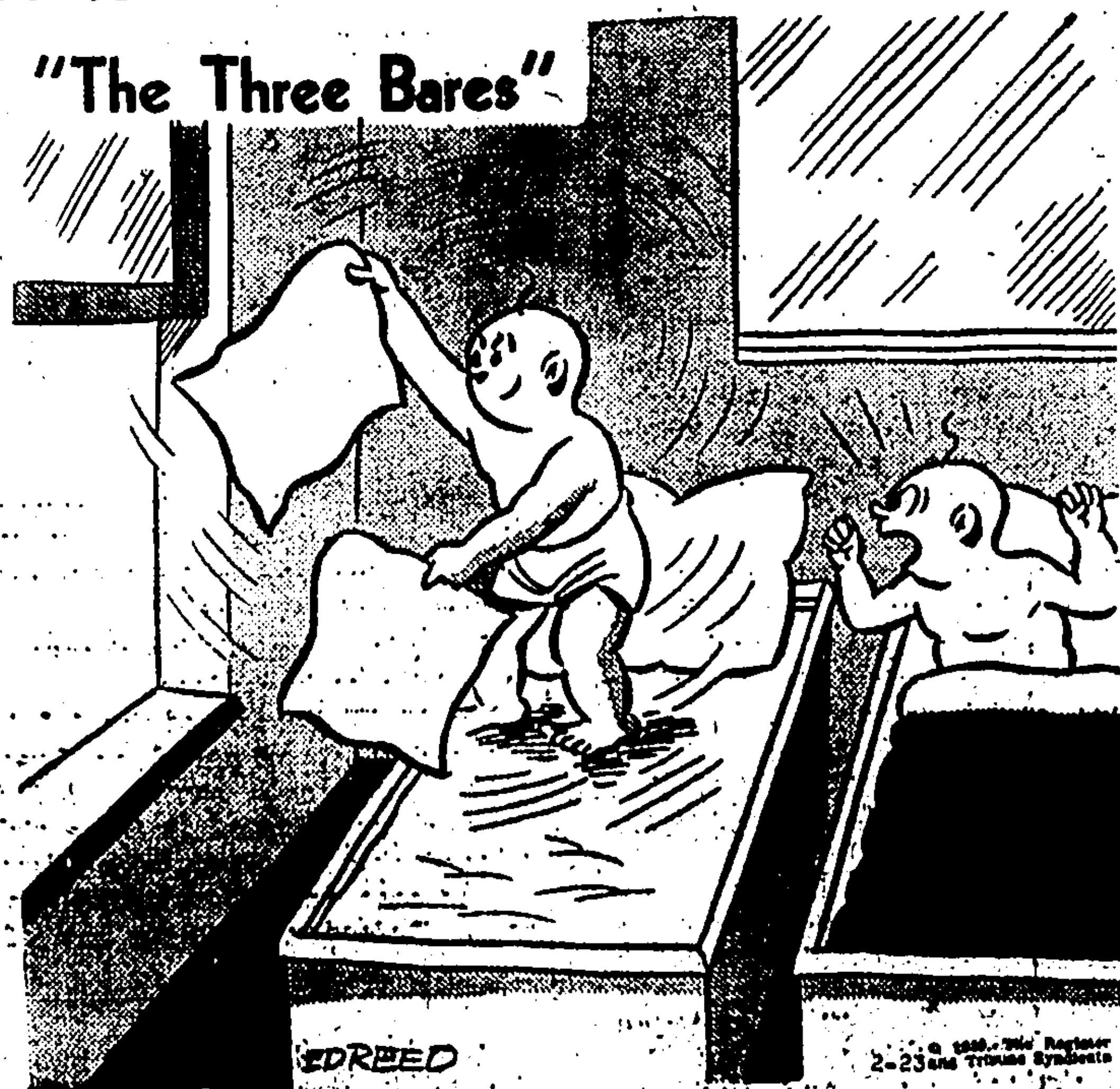


Mrs. W. L. Handyside, second from right, who presented the trophies at the conclusion of the inter-schools aquatic sports, watching the events.

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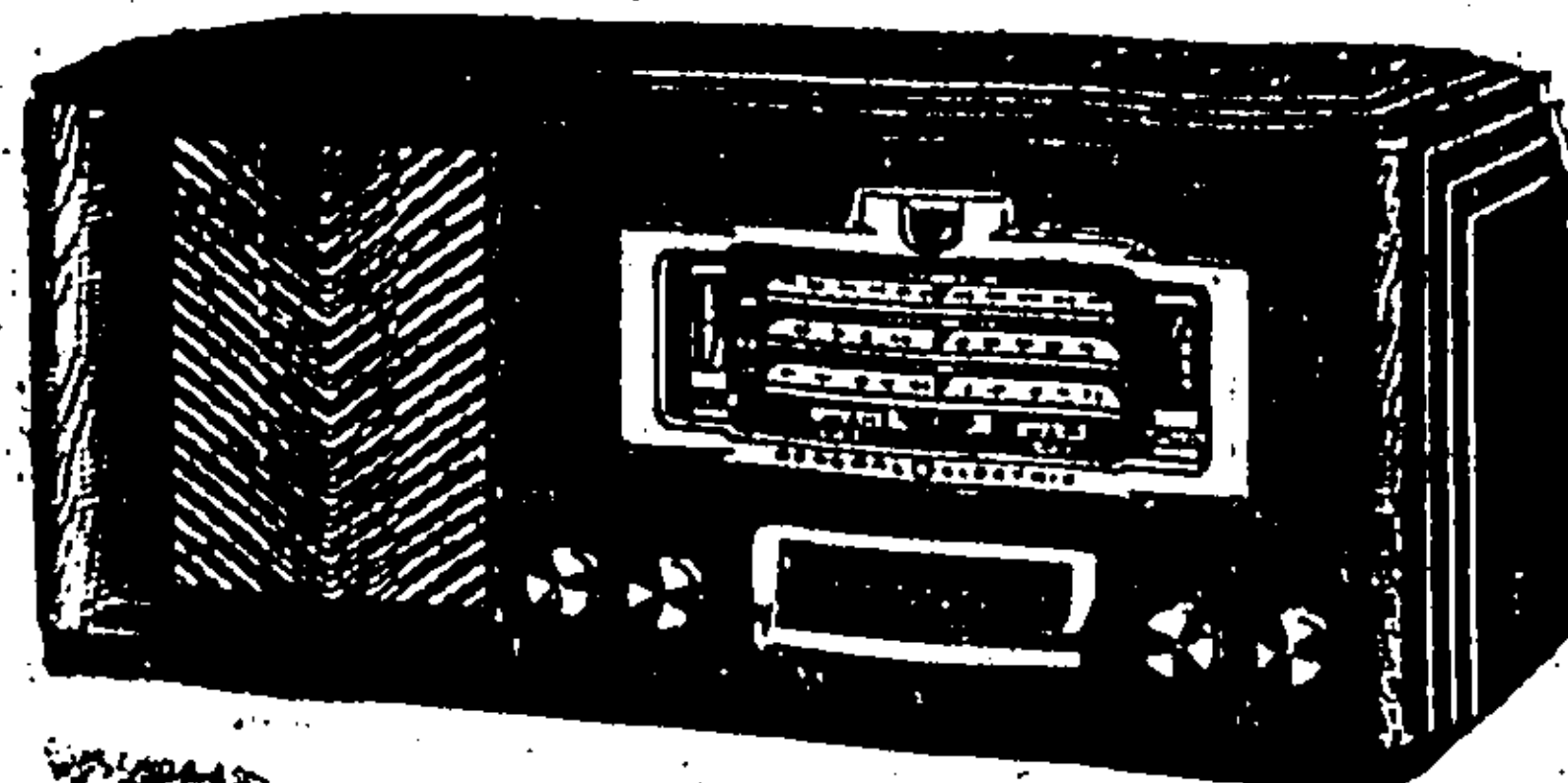
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BRITISH SEIZURES OF NAZI SHIPS

London, To-day.
In the course of his weekly review of the war situation in the Commons, the Prime Minister said members would have seen that during the last few days the sinking of five British ships had been announced.

One of these ships—the Stonegate—was sunk by the German raider Deutschesland some time ago but information of this loss had only just been received. Together these ships aggregated 22,715 tons.

On the other hand a number of enemy ships had been arrested and brought in by blockading squadrons of the Royal Navy.

These ships were the Phoebus (8,863 tons); Gloria (5,986 tons); Blanca (1,375 tons); Poseidon (5,864 tons) and Biscaya (6,369 tons), totalling 28,367 tons.

In addition to these, the Gonzeinheim (4,574 tons) was intercepted and scuttled herself to avoid capture.

There had been therefore—subject to the decision of the prize court—a loss to the enemy of some 33,000 tons and a net gain to the British of nearly 6,000 tons.

U-BOAT LAWLESSNESS

A feature of the U-boat campaign to which the Premier said he must call attention was its growing lawlessness.

It would seem now to become the rule for merchant ships to be sunk without warning.

Frequently passengers and crew had been turned adrift in small open boats in stormy seas to suffer from cold and exposure.

In the case of the Yorkshire there was a deplorable loss of life amongst the wives and children of soldiers returning home from the East.

Another instance was the sinking of the French ship Bretagne carrying a large number of women and children. This ship was torpedoed without warning and sunk miles from land by gunfire. Fourteen of those on board were missing.—British Wireless.

CAR ACCIDENT

Mr. M. M. Moore, of No. 771, Prince Edward Road, was involved in an accident yesterday when, while driving in Saikung Road, he knocked down a Chinese. The man, suffering from a fractured collar bone, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital.



Here von Ribbentrop is seen with the French Prime Minister, M. Daladier, on the occasion, immediately after Munich, when Germany signed a pact of eternal friendship with France.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S WAR REVIEW: BUT ONE REPLY TO THE GERMAN DECISION

London, To-day.
THE RIBBENTROP TIRADE, regarding which Mr. Chamberlain said he did not propose to waste much time on the details of "this performance," formed the most interesting part of the Prime Minister's weekly war review.

The Prime Minister pointed out that, stripped of its verbiage and falsifications, it did indicate that Hitler had realised the failure of his peace offensive.

Dealing with the Turkish Treaty, which he said had been received with profound satisfaction throughout the Empire and France, the Premier added that it gave great encouragement to know that it was widely welcomed in many parts of the world.

Saying that doubtless the world saw within it a guarantee for the maintenance of peace in at least one part of the world, Mr. Chamberlain said: "It is a purely defensive instrument threatening no one and designed only to resist aggression."

The British, French Turkish Governments have been discussing the question of financial and economic assistance for Turkey.

Assistance to be given relates particularly to the supply of war materials.

NAZI WAR COUNCILS

Mr. Chamberlain then referred to reports in Berlin of lengthy consultations among Nazi leaders and Ribbentrop's speech, "I don't propose to waste time by commenting on many details of this performance. No-one in this country will be deceived by its distortions of the truth and there is already abundant evidence that Ribbentrop has been no more successful in his attempt to mislead impartial observers in other parts of the world."

"I even cherish a hope that despite all suppressions and falsifications there are still some in Germany itself who see where the real truth lies. (cheers)."

"The main thesis of the speech was that England and not Germany desired and plotted the war. This is known by the whole world to be untrue."

"No Government ever sought more ardently to avoid war or took greater risks to preserve peace than did the Government of this country."

THE FACTS

After declaring that the Government had already published the essential documents of the war, Mr. Chamberlain said: "We are content to be judged by the facts and to know that the verdict of the great majority of neutral observers is in our favour."

Mr. Chamberlain recalled that Sir Neville Henderson had referred to the encouragement given Hitler by Ribbentrop, who apparently advised him to the last moment that Britain would not fight. "Yet this is the man who, now asserts that that the whole object of the British and Polish since 1933 has been to concert war against Germany."

RIBBENTROP IN HISTORY

Future historians will have to consider how far the great tragedy of our time has been due to the failure of Ribbentrop to comprehend the policy or character of the British people.

Ribbentrop desires, it seems, to invite Russia to join in the crusade against the British Empire."

There was ironical laughter when Mr. Chamberlain recalled Ribbentrop's address when he first came to England in 1936 in which Ribbentrop said: "The Fuehrer is convinced that there is only one real danger in Europe and the British Empire as well, that is the spreading further of communism, this most terrible of all diseases, (loud laughter), terrible because people generally seem to realise its danger only when it is too late." (laughter in which M. Maisky, Russian Ambassador to London, in the Diplomatic Gallery also joined).

POSITIVE CONCLUSION

Mr. Chamberlain added: "The positive conclusion that we are apparently asked to draw from Ribbentrop's speech is that the German Government have made a choice, which, as I stated on October 12 lay before them."

"He has announced their intention of seeing the struggle through with all their energy and strength."

"If that is indeed their decision there can be but one reply and we are prepared to give it. It is not England that challenged Germany. It is the German Government who by persistent acts of aggression pursued in the face of our repeated warnings have forced us at last reluctantly to take up arms."

"It is the German Government, who by the reckless disregard of their pledged word and the rights and liberties of other peoples must bear the responsibility for this war and for all its consequences."

SUBMARINE CAMPAIGN

Earlier in his speech, the Premier said that U-boats were being driven further and further from their bases and were being steadily destroyed, so that one might hope that the menace to British trade would soon be overcome.

Five ships, totalling 22,715 tons,

TIN PRICE CONTROL PROTESTS

London, To-day.
Removal of the maximum price of British tin could only be considered when market conditions became more normal, declared Dr. Burgin, Minister of Supply, in the House of Commons yesterday.

Dr. Burgin was answering a question which drew attention to the danger to the tin smelting industry due to the order fixing prices substantially below American prices.

Dr. Burgin pointed out that the American spot price had already fallen a long way from the highest level.

He hoped the increased supplies now coming forward would soon permit a more normal relationship between the domestic and world prices.

In the meantime, the Government attached importance to the domestic smelting industry and was watching the position closely. — Reuter.

ICE HOUSE ST. THEFT

Mr. Reidy, of the Repulse Bay Hotel, was at the Central Magistracy this morning, when Chan So, 24, was charged before Mr. R. Edwards with stealing his fountain pen in Ice House Street yesterday.

At about 4.10 p.m. yesterday, Mr. Reidy was in Ice House Street with his daughter. Mr. Kirby, who was behind, saw defendant take the pen from Mr. Reidy's pocket.

Sentence of four months' hard labour was imposed on this charge, and six months' for returning from banishment.

ACCUSATION DENIED

A 25-year-old married woman Lam Chan was before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, charged with keeping an unregistered mitsai.

Defendant denied the charge, saying the girl was her niece.

Mr. H. W. Fraser, of the S.C.A., said the girl was registered on September 16 last year, as a ward. A lady inspector yesterday visited the girl, who alleged that she had been ill-treated.

The case was adjourned till to-morrow. Defendant was on bail of \$100.

had been sunk recently, but during the same period the blockade control had arrested over 28,000 tons of enemy ships and another vessel of 4,000 tons had scuttled itself rather than be captured.

He deplored the growing lawlessness of the campaign and the sinking of merchant ships without warning, the most notable cases of this being the sinking of the British steamer Yorkshire and the French steamer Bretagne.

No words were strong enough to express our detestation of such activity.—Reuter.

LORD HALIFAX RIDDLES RIBBENTROP PICTURE OF SWEET NAZI INNOCENCE

London, To-day.

"I HAVE NEVER SEEN a more clumsy attempt to divide England and France," said Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, in a statement in the House of Lords on the international situation, and referring to the Ribbentrop speech.

That, said Lord Halifax, seemed to be the main purpose of the speech. However, never has confidence between France and Britain been more complete and intimate than it was to-day.

The speech left him with the conviction that however unsuccessful Ribbentrop had been in understanding the British people in peace, he was less successful in understanding the joint mind of Britain and France (cheers).

The spectacle of innocent Germany frightened by the danger of an attack by Poland and only a short time ago by Czecho-Slovakia and the victim of sinister plotting by Britain would, if the whole matter was not so serious bring smiles to the lips of gods and men.

Lord Halifax made a lengthy reference to the Anglo-Franco-Turkish pact, in similar terms to those used by Mr. Chamberlain in the House of Commons.

RUSSIA'S ACTIONS

He spoke of the visit of M. Sarajoglu, Turkish Foreign Minister, to Moscow. Although the visit apparently produced no definite result, it was a matter of great satisfaction to the British Government that both Turkey and Russia had reaffirmed their traditional friendship.

PLEDGE TO POLAND

Concerning the British pledge to Poland, he said that it would not be the policy of Britain or any other country to recoil from its pledges. It made no difference to the Poles whether they were invaded from the east or the west.

The last thing he would do would be to justify the action of Soviet Russia and, in particular, the time at which she took it, but it was necessary to remember two things:—

Firstly, she would never have taken the action she did if the German Government had not started it; and secondly, it was worthwhile remembering that the action of Soviet Russia had been limited to the advance of the Russian boundary to that recommended at Versailles by Lord Curzon. —Reuter.

AFFLICTED WITH DOUBT

London, To-day.

Lord Snell (Labour) said that Ribbentrop's speech showed doubt, not sincerity. A strong man with a good cause had no need to vituperate. —Reuter.

CARRIED TOO MANY PASSENGERS

For carrying an excess of 21 passengers on boat No. 3018T, Hui Kan-ching, master of the boat, was fined \$20 or three weeks' hard labour by Commander G. F. Hole, at the Marine Court this morning.

It was alleged that accused when approached by a police launch had 49 passengers on board whereas he was allowed only 20 passengers and a crew of eight.

BRITISH RELATIONS WITH RUSSIA: COMMONS PROPOSAL

London, To-day.

MAJOR ATTLEE, Leader of the Labour Opposition, in the Commons yesterday, said he was glad to hear that they were grappling with the submarine menace.

It would be a mistake to crow too soon, but at the present stage they were entitled to say that they were holding the menace in check.

Referring to the speech of von Ribbentrop, Major Attlee said that it struck him as a fairly complete exposure of Ribbentrop himself and not worth while following up.

If the speech had included peace suggestions, they would have to face it, but they would not be deterred by threats from doing their duty.

"We stand as we have always stood for peace but it must be real peace based on principle.

"Whether there is peace or not rests with the German people. I hope in due course that they will tell Ribbentrop and the rest that they want peace."

RELATIONS WITH RUSSIA

The Liberal Leader, Sir Archibald Sinclair, stated that the Liberals supported the Prime Minister's attitude regarding the speech of Ribbentrop and urged that they should not allow their relations with Russia to stagnate in their present unsatisfactory and even dangerous position particularly in the commercial field progress ought to be made. If Russia was compelled to work out her own destiny in collaboration with the Germans, doubtless she would be able to do so, but the British Government ought by vigorous initiative, first in the commercial field, and secondly in the diplomatic field, to convince the Soviet Government that the interests of Russia and the general interests of mankind, in the order of peace and the reconstruction of Europe, would best be served by the earliest possible achievement of understanding and collaboration between the Governments of Russia and those of Great Britain and France. —Reuter.

R.A.F. LOSSES

London, To-day.

The seventh Royal Air Force casualty list gives 33 names, divided up into 12 killed, 6 died on active service, 11 missing, and 3 missing, believed killed. —Reuter.

FIRST VICTORY FOR ROOSEVELT

Washington, To-day.

In what is generally agreed to be the first test of strength on the arms embargo repeal, the Administration won a victory by 55 votes to 27 by the Senate's rejection of an amendment by Senator Downey (Democrat) designed to forbid the sale of munitions to all foreign nations, neutral or belligerent, in peacetime or war, with the exception of States in the Western Hemisphere warring with non-American nations. —Reuter.

CAT— A R P —ILLAR

A small green caterpillar less than an inch long crawled through a tiny hole leading wires into the remote control switch box on a Swinton (Lances) air raid siren.

It crawled across the terminals and the siren started to wail. People in Swinton and adjoining towns went to their shelters.

After less than half a minute the siren stopped. The caterpillar had been burnt to death.

SHED GLOOM

Tommies in a Devonshire town who find the blackout too dull and cinemas expensive can shed their gloom.

From to-night they will have at their disposal a luxury ballroom of a restaurant, which has been converted into a recreation hall.

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KING VISITS ARMS WORKS

London, To-day.

The King yesterday paid his first wartime visit to an armaments factory.

Three years ago this factory was derelict but now is probably the most up-to-date in the world and is producing guns used in defence of the country.

His Majesty was accompanied by the Director-General of the Supply Ministry. —British Wireless.

COOLER WEATHER

How much cooler is the weather these days is indicated by the fact that the maximum temperature yesterday was 79 degrees.

A moderate anticyclone covers China and Manchuria and the barometer in Hong Kong this morning showed a pressure of 30.04 inches.

A depression is moving eastward over Central Japan.

MASSACRE IN CHEKIANG

Chungking, To-day.

Several hundred Chinese civilians at Shih-tangchen, on the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway 16 miles southwest of Sungkiang, have been massacred in retaliation for damage to railway bridges nearby, allegedly caused by Chinese guerrillas. —Central News.

BOX MISSING

Police are investigating the mysterious disappearance of a camp-box containing clothing to the value of \$800, following a report made last night by Mr. G. Brommer, of the French Convent.

Mr. Brommer stated that the box was lost either at Luna Building, Kowloon, or at the entrance to the French Convent.

LABOUR UNIONS AND THE WAR

London, To-day.

Reports presented yesterday to the General Council of the Trades Union Congress show the close co-operation existing between organised labour and Government departments.

The Prime Minister, it is stated, has instructed all departments informing them of the Government's desire that complete understanding should exist between them and the Trades Union movement and consultations in many instances.

Consultative committees are already functioning in London, and arrangements being made to set up local committees to advise the Supply Ministry.

POSITIVE SIDE

Reviewing the advantages derived from such arrangements, the "Daily Herald" says: "On the positive side they give the Trade Unions the opportunity it was essential they should have to contribute fully out of their great experience and ability to the common task of defeating Hitlerism." —British Wireless.

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Jebesen and Company were summoned at the Central Magistracy this morning before Mr. R. Edwards, for

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ON THE WESTERN FRONT

FIRST VISIT TO THE SAAR

By Our Special Correspondent on the French Front,

Edgar Ansel Mowrer

Lauterbach, Forest of Warndt, Germany, October 1939.

They brought in the two Germans feet first in a waggon covered with a cloth. Soldiers and visiting newspapermen gathered about. A French lieutenant cautiously removed the cloth; there were two dead boys. I watched the face of Jules, the French private standing next to me. It seemed he could never get enough of the dead faces.

"Two more victims of Adolf Hitler," he said, and looked away.

The taller and blonder of the two dead was a corporal.

"Like Hitler," said Jules, "its always the wrong fellow who gets it."

Carefully, the French examined the Germans' equipment. The dead men were wearing good, solid high leather boots and good, strong tunics. This was no "ersatz." The Nazis have skimmed the national milk pan for the army, but Germany when Hitler took it over was still a good cow. The German machine guns were simple and solid machines with their metallic belts.

The dead men had been two dismounted motorcycle points who had been feeling their way forward through the thick forest when they met the French. They were true Germans and they fought well. They had the easier side anyway, it was their forest.

Collectively they had made it conquest a horrible task for the French. Driving along the road from Kreutzwald in French territory through the Forest of Warndt to German Lauterbach our cars suddenly bumped over an imperfectly filled ditch. There, a few days ago, a hidden German mine had literally spattered a small French cavalry patrol on to the landscape. The woollen scarf of one man caught in the branch of a tree twenty feet above the road. It is hanging there now, swinging in the breeze. The German frontier guards' shelter on the exact frontier turned out to be a solid concrete blockhouse. Further on the customs building on the outskirts of Lauterbach proved also to have been fortified, but it was abandoned without a fight. The reason was that it also contained a mine which exploded when the first French entered. In the thick forest glades it is the same. Hundreds of mines with invisible trigger-wires jeopardize the advance. Then there is barbed wire everywhere. Felled logs, looking like nature, screen the machine gun nests, from each nest the Germans fire as long as they can, then, retreating before the French advance, retire to the next ambush.

Sometimes they counter-attack. Yesterday morning the French machine gunner Thomorel, of the ... Company, was going up to the line early, with the men carrying the coffee. Thomorel saw something moving.

"That's a funny cat," he said, "it must be a German."

"No," said the coffee carrier, "it's just our cavalry men."

At which point some forty Germans jumped from the shrubbery and rushed on the little group of Frenchmen. The latter ran shouting for aid. The affair might have ended there, but one German threw a hand grenade. Splinters caught Thomorel in the buttock—it hurt. This was more than the Frenchman would stand. Thomorel wheeled and within five seconds his machine gun was spurring fire. He covered the retreat and then managed to escape himself, leaving three dead Germans on the ground. That was yesterday.

To-day's two dead come from an early morning engagement about two kilometres from here among the

pinetrees. Gradually, in fifty skirmishes, the French are eating their way through the woods. One day they advanced thirty yards, the next day three hundred. Here nothing at all, there a good distance. This fighting around Lauterbach is typical of the slow sort of inching forward which the French have been carrying out since the war began. It has brought them to the borders of Saarbruecken and to a point just south of Zweibruecken. It has brought the important mining and industrial centre of St. Ingbert under the French artillery.

The total of German casualties from the beginning along the entire front is estimated at three thousand. The French are attacking, but they are using far more artillery than the Germans and firing ten to twenty shells for each one received. It is unlikely that their losses are any heavier, if as heavy, as those of the Germans. Behind wooded hills the seventy-fives are cracking like the beating of some immense carpet. Further north a battery of six-inch howitzers occasionally interposes its clatter of a dump load. Occasionally the German guns over on the Saar return the fire, but only occasionally. The French wonder if the German Command is not waiting for the return of artillery from Poland.

They suspect it is also waiting for the result of Hitler's "Peace offensive," in the ever dimmer hope that France and Britain can be threatened or cajoled into accepting Hitler's "Peace." Here on the lines they don't know very much what's going on in Paris or London. But if the French Army has its way this is a vain hope.

Recently the French censors—military men sometimes seem to be lacking in imagination—stopped a post card written by a group of French artillery men. It was addressed:

"Adolf Hitler, Choucroutestrasse, Berchtesgaden, formerly Germany." The censor would not print them. But in substance they were telling Hitler his goose was cooked anyway and he might just as well accept now the rope that this particular group of men had prepared for him. Here at the front I haven't met any Frenchman with another idea.

"We are more in sorrow than in anger," the Colonel commanding one sector near here explained, "but we intend to finish the job."

Slowly the Germans are coming to see that the peace offensive is not likely to work. The French invasion of Germany is not dangerous for the Reich, not yet. But the slow obliteration one after another of these hundreds of fortified lines can, if it is pushed far enough, become a German disaster.

On this part of the front bordering on the Saar and protecting the flank of Saarbruecken the French are now meeting a new type of opponent. The original defenders were mere kids, some of them hastily taken from the Hitler Youth. Then came somewhat uncertain reserve units. Now, in the Forest of Warndt, the French seem to be facing trained regulars, perhaps part of that fifty or fifty-five crack divisions which are the kernel of the German Army.

"They are about the same age as we," said Jules, meaning from twenty to thirty.

"They fight and they hit hard. I can't tell you how glad we shall be when we drive them out of the forest into the open where we can see them."

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GERMAN THREAT TO NEUTRALS

London, To-day.

The German newspaper "Deutsche Dienst," which is generally considered to speak with authority, said yesterday that it can be regarded as certain that Germany will not stand by quietly should neutral countries increase their exports to Britain.

Commenting on the Russian protest over the British contraband control, semi-official circles point out that it is similar to that imposed during the Great War by the Allies -- including Russia.

It is considered somewhat strange, therefore, and it is also considered odd that at the same time Soviet Russia should inform the United States Government that the City of Flint is to be detained to enable a check to be made on her cargo. — Reuter.

GERMAN ATTITUDE

Amsterdam, To-day.

Germany is publicly adopting the standpoint that neutral countries are really neutral only if they maintain their exports to the Reich at pre-war level, states the Berlin correspondent of the "Handelsblad."

While Germany admits that Holland is unable to disregard the British blockade by continuing deliveries at pre-war level, circles in Berlin, according to this correspondent, take the view that she must do her utmost in this respect and refrain from submitting without more ado to Britain's wishes.—Reuter.

FIRST VISIT TO THE SAAR

(Continued from Page 8)

Accompanied by French officers and by the two American military attaches at Paris, Colonel Horace Fuller and Lieutenant-Colonel Sumner Waite, a few newspaper correspondents had been the first newspapermen of any nationality to be officially admitted to the French war zone. After showing us numerous interesting but unimportant sights in the rear the French officers realized that we wanted to see the real front. They brought us here from Metz. We came to Boulay on the road to Sarrelouis, from Boulay to the tiny village of Dalem and thence to an artillery observatory half a mile behind the old frontier where we could look westward into Germany.

The big town of Saarlouis and the hill sanctuary of St. Oran were hidden from our view by hills, but below us lay French Merten and beyond, in German territory, the village of Ueberherrn and Bockhof Farm, which the French have just taken.

Shells from half a dozen batteries were landing about four kilometres away on the top of the hill called Klareichen above captured Ueberherrn, where the Germans have an artillery observatory and a fortified post. If Klareichen hill be taken or turned the advance northward to Saarlouis and the Saar valley will be open to the French.

To an amateur it would seem that the primary aim of these operations is to reach the last line of hills south and east of the Saar and from there to dominate the entire valley. But whatever the ultimate war plan adopted, offensive or defensive, to an old war correspondent like the writer it is clear from a thousand little signs that the French Army is all set to go.

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THE FRANCES DAY PENNY FUND—Miss Frances Day, the actress, attended a lunch in London to inaugurate the Frances Day Penny Fund, a fund for providing gifts for the fighting Services. Photo shows Miss Frances Day and Capt. E. B. Hambro, collecting coppers for the fund. There is about £15 in coppers in each jar. (Copyright. By Air Mail).

SHELLING DUEL WITH U-BOAT

London, To-day.

A British cargo ship recently sank a U-boat after a desperate shell duel, according to a statement to the "South Wales Argus" by one of the ship's officers.

The officer said that the U-boat came to the surface almost under the ship's starboard bow when the crew were dining.

After a duel, in which neither ship was hit, the U-boat dived and re-emerged three miles away.

The cargo-boat's gunners opened fire and with the bursting of a final shell the U-boat vanished.—Reuter.

POLISH DIPLOMAT IN RANKS AS A PRIVATE

PARIS, TO-DAY.

GENERAL SIKORSKI, THE NEW POLISH PREMIER, INSPECTED ON WEDNESDAY THE POLISH LEGION WHICH IS NOW BEING TRAINED TO TAKE ITS PLACE BESIDE THE BRITISH AND FRENCH ARMIES. SEVERAL THOUSAND MEN MARCHED PAST HIM IN REVIEW.

When General Sikorski came to the entrance to the camp, a private came to the attention and saluted. General Sikorski returned the salute and then stepped forward and shook hands with the private.

It was his old friend, M. Lipski, Polish Ambassador to Berlin, until war broke out.—Reuter.

KING'S SECRET VISIT

"Who is it?" whispered twelve-year-old Brian Cocker to an officer when he saw a tall, soldierly figure, accompanied by two generals and a party of aides-de-camp.

"It's the King," he was told—the King, on a surprise visit to the British Army in the West of England, was inspecting his troops behind a hedge.

Brian gasped, then smiled proudly. "Well, it's my father's field," he said, "and I'm very glad he has come."

The King stayed in Brian's field for some time and in a sheltered corner of it sat on a rug behind a haystack to eat his lunch.

Touring a wide area he shook hands and chatted with hundreds of the troops. He visited in turn all the units which make up a modern infantry division.

The first unit was a crack infantry battalion which had been on trench-digging duty throughout the night on a lonely and chilly hill-top. Here the battalion's headquarters was just a canvas lean-to against an Army lorry backed against a hedge.

"ASLEEP IN THE TRENCHES"

Many of the soldiers, wearing full battle dress, were asleep at the bottom of their trenches when the King arrived. Two horse-rakes were working in the next field, their drivers unaware that the King was inspecting his troops over the hedge.

The next battalion was stationed some miles away in a lovely valley close to an old stone village.

Unknown to the villagers the royal party drew up in a quiet lane. It was not until the regiment, with their tin hats held aloft, were giving three cheers that the villagers learned that the King was among them.

After lunch the King decorated an officer with the Military Cross for gallantry in Palestine. This was the third officer of the regiment to be so decorated.

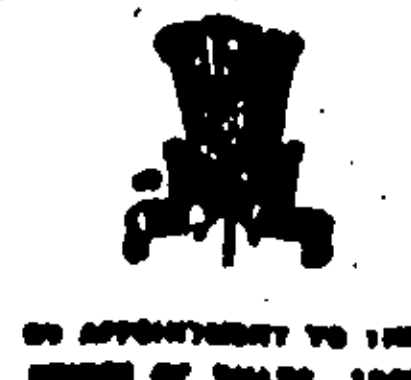
The King spoke again to the other two officers whom he received a few weeks ago at Buckingham Palace.

ISTANBUL CONFERENCE

Rome, To-day.

A conference is proceeding at Istanbul between the representatives of Turkey, Iran, Iraq and Afghanistan. The four countries concerned are already linked by a pact which was designed to prevent Soviet expansion in any of their countries. — Reuter.

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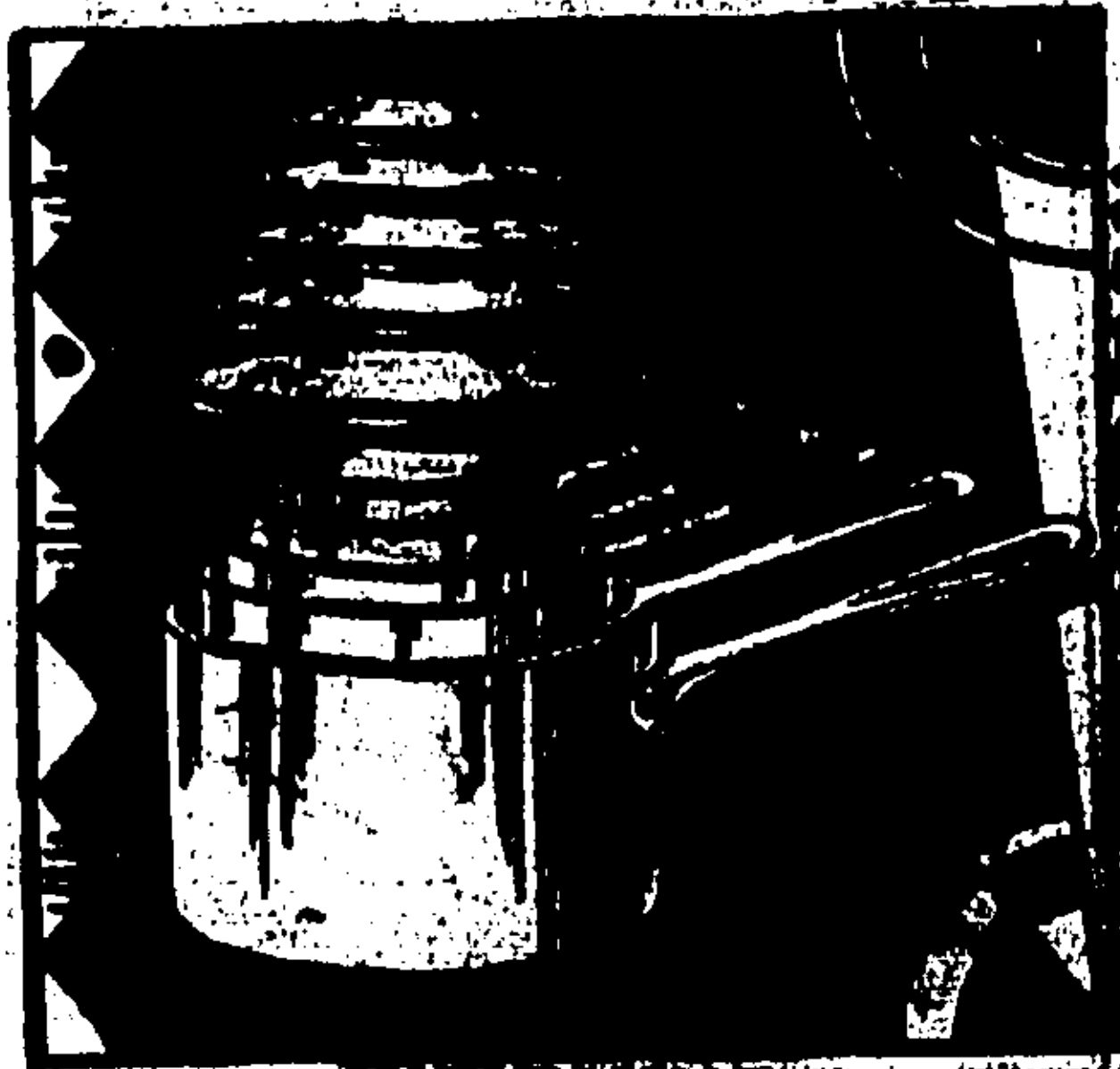
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MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

MINISTRY OF INFORMATION

Lord MacMillan's statement in the House of Lords brings more light to bear on the functions and future of the Ministry of Information. But, if it answers some questions, it also prompts more. Lord MacMillan is able to report progress in the reorganisation of the department along lines which have already been given general as well as official approval, but it has not apparently gone far enough yet to fix the new allotment of responsibilities. The right of direct access to Government departments is restored to the newspapers, by their emphatic and unanimous desire. The Ministry ceases to take responsibility for the dissemination of official statements, though, as a matter of convenience, they will still be transmitted simultaneously through its centralised machinery. At home a vast, self-organised system of spontaneous publicity is already at the disposal of that cause in the Press, the wireless, the cinema, and the platform. There war.

should be no need for elaboration on this side. Most of the work would be done whether a Ministry existed or not. On the foreign side it is very necessary. It is also necessary that there should be close touch with public opinion abroad, effective dissemination of the truth of Allied aims and progress, and equally effective counteraction of enemy propaganda. This has never been questioned. The questions have always been how and through what agencies is this to be accomplished and with how much or how little duplication, diffusion, and contradiction of efforts to that end. The world's Press, for example, is already fully represented in London, eager for all the news that London can give it, and no new system of overseas communication and publicity will provide a substitute for it. What is needed over and above should not require the whole-time services of a staff of several hundred specialists, nor can the work be swift and well-directed if there is more than one agency engaged upon it—and the Ministry, even now, does not seem to be alone in the field.

INDIA AND THE WAR

The object of this declaration is obvious enough. The Congress Party represents a majority of the British Indian electorate. The leaders of the Working Committee, to which Mr. Gandhi does not belong, do not follow him in advocating the unconditional co-operation of the Congress Party with the Government of India. They evidently hope to extract political profit from the situation by inducing the British Government to make further constitutional concessions in the shape of modifications of the reforms. So far as is known they have not yet formulated any specific demands. They have indicated that they find it difficult to co-operate with the British and Indian Governments in the prosecution of the war except on conditions affecting the political relations of the two countries, but they have only expressed these conditions in abstract terms. Their request for a definition of British war aims seems hardly necessary. Mr. Chamberlain has defined them in such a way as to dispose once for all of any possible imputation of interested or "imperialist" motives. We are at war to liberate Poland and to put an end once for all to the intolerable strain

of living under the perpetual threat of Nazi aggression." It is unfortunate that, although Indian opinion is united in condemning the aggressions of which Poland and other countries have been victims, although Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru sent a message to Warsaw recording his Party's sympathy with its gallant defenders, Nazi propagandists should be able to represent the attitude of the Working Committee as a demonstration in Germany's favour. It certainly contrasts many's favour. It certainly contrasts with the generous offers of aid and co-operation which the Government of India have received from the Princes and with the spirited attitude of the Premiers of the Moslem provinces of Punjab, Bengal, and Sind.—"Times."

GESTURE TO GREECE

Withdrawal of Italian troops from the Albanian-Greek border where they had been concentrated since the seizure of Albania is interesting for the small ray of light it throws on the course of Italy in the European war.

THE GERMAN PEOPLE

The Nazis are trying with some success to deify Hitler. There is no place for Christianity in the Nazi creed. The Church is now only tolerated in modern Germany, as its sudden abolition might cause too great an opposition to the Nazi Party, but in this respect the recent alliance with Bolshevist Russia is bound to influence this position, which will become more precarious than ever.—A. N. Balfour.

The questions have might soon find itself a victim of Italian force; the Greeks feared possible Italian seizure of Corfu. Thus the withdrawal of Italian forces from the Greek border indicates that Italy is preparing to settle down to a long period of neutrality, and that it does not consider this war as a safe opportunity to push efforts for Italian aggrandisement. Italy's action may be intended to reassure the Allies of its good intentions, and to remove at least one cause of Allied pressure on Italy. But as this war drags on, Italy will find it harder and harder to preserve its neutrality. And it is inconceivable that any such gestures, as this made to Greece will serve to counterbalance in the Allies' consideration the fact that by remaining neutral Italy is covering one front for Germany.—"Christian Science Monitor."

SEEDS OF DISCONTENT

In the new list of reserved occupations, published this morning by the Ministry of Labour, are to be found the seeds of most graves discontent. It is important that certain trades, essential for the prosecution of the war and the maintenance of the life of the people should not be denuded of men; but this schedule denudes the Army. There are trades in the list which have little or no right to be there. In the others, the age limit is too low, for it withdraws from military service a great number of men, of the best ages for soldiering, who are not yet well enough experienced in their civil occupations to be in any way indispensable.

Since the original schedule was issued, in January, there has been a great response to the recruiting appeal for the Territorial Army. Many men who patriotically answered that appeal are now told that their juniors in their own trades may not follow them. This revised list suggests that there has been a struggle over the question of man-power between two great Departments. If so, the wrong Department has won.—Daily Mail.

DEFENCE MEASURES IN NORTH

London, To-day.
Norway and Sweden have decided to spend £5,500,000 for defence, chiefly for their air forces.
The Norwegian Minister for Defence announces that £3,250,000 will be spent on supplies for the army, navy and air force, while on Wednesday the Swedish Parliament passed an appropriation of £2,250,000 for 120 military aeroplanes. — Reuter.

TANGANYIKA ASKS END OF MANDATE

London, To-day.
The British Association in Tanganyika cabled the Colonial Office yesterday, urging the abolition of the Tanganyika mandate.
Members who volunteer for war service want to be assured they will be fighting for their own country and not merely for a country under mandate. — Reuter.

ANDRE MAUROIS WITH BRITISH ARMY

London, To-day.
M. Andre Maurois, the well-known author and writer, is one of the army of French war correspondents who have now arrived at British Army Headquarters in France. — Reuter.

GERMANY ISOLATED IN THE STRUGGLE

London, To-day.
FURTHER EXAMINATION of neutral opinion on Ribbentrop's Danzig speech confirms the early impression that it has done nothing to modify the view abroad that Germany is deservedly almost isolated in the present struggle.

Considered opinions now expressed by responsible English newspapers agree that his special pleading and invective were addressed to the German people who, says the "Daily Telegraph," have been screened by Dr. Goebbels' propaganda department from contact with the truth and have been disciplined to limitless credulity.

"But there are two damning facts which cannot be concealed from the outer world, however they are reconcilable to the German conscience—the rape of Czechoslovakia in flat defiance of Hitler's promise, and the spoliation of Poland.

Those were hardly the achievements of a government which had, as Ribbentrop claims, done its best to avoid war.

Nor do they inspire confidence in the renewed protestations that the German frontiers are now definitive, that stable conditions have now been created in Europe and that the consolidation of the Reich has been concluded."

BUNGLER'S APOLOGIA
"The Times," which describes the speech as a "bungler's apologia," recalls the failure of Ribbentrop's mission as Ambassador in London, and says this first failure has been followed "by a series of blunders which have landed Germany in the worst diplomatic position in which she has ever found herself—far worse than that in which, her allies round her, she stood at the beginning of the last war.

The Danzig speech suggests that he has in fact abandoned the uncongenial role of diplomatist for that of blustering demagogue.

HYSTERIA
To those who listened to it, the dominant note of his harangue was hysteria, and hysteria is a bad basis on which to conduct what the Nazis themselves describe as a war of nerves.

HITLER IS INSANE, PROFESSOR SAYS

Hitler is suffering from an incurable mental disease, according to Professor Henry Steinmetz, the prominent American psychologist.

The professor says that Hitler is under constant observation by an alienist, reports the "Daily Mirror." New York correspondent. Discussing Hitler's ailment at a psychologists' conference at Palo Alto, California, Professor Steinmetz quoted details of Hitler's disorder given him by an American research physician who had recently returned from Germany.

"Hitler's affliction is paranoid maniac depression. It is an incurable mental disease which causes its victims to have alternate fits of depression and elation, complicated by delusions that they are being persecuted, said the professor.

HUGE GERMAN CONCENTRATION

Paris, To-day.
Big concentration of German troops and planes and incessant movements of material are taking place along the German North Sea coast from Emden to the mouth of the Ems and past Bremen as far as the mouth of the Elbe, as well as in Switzerland, according to an Amsterdam telegram. — Reuter.

SNOW FALLING IN SOUTHERN AREA OF MAGINOT LINE

Paris, To-day.
SNOW IS NOW FALLING behind southern sections of the Maginot Line and bitterly cold weather and heavy rain are preventing and major action on the Western Front.

Another unsuccessful German attempt was made on Wednesday to drive the French from the hill-tops overlooking the Varndt Forest.

A German raid east of the Moselle was repulsed without any of the Germans reaching the French lines.

It is now estimated that the Germans lost between 2,000 and 3,000 men during attacks on Monday (last week). The French had already withdrawn the bulk of their troops and the German losses were due to the fire of the French artillery covering the withdrawal of the outposts.

The Nazi Government is apparently hesitating.

LONG CONFERENCE

On Wednesday night and yesterday Hitler had long conferences with the leaders of the army and air force. Yesterday morning, he also saw Field-Marshal Goering and later they were joined by General Brauchitsch, head of the army, and General Keitel, Chief of Staff.

This may be the prelude to another German offensive (German troops are still reported to be moving up), or it may be an indication of Hitler's extreme perplexity. — Reuter.

ARTILLERY ACTION

The following communique has been issued: "There have been encounters between contact units, and reciprocal artillery actions at various points of the front. — Reuter.

BANK RATE LOWERED

London, To-day.
The Bank of England has lowered the bank rate to two per cent., bringing it back to the pre-war level. — Reuter.

***It will be recalled that the bank rate was raised to four per cent. just before the outbreak of war. It was later reduced to three per cent. The further reduction is probably the preliminary to the early issue of a new War Loan.

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ROSENBERG THEORISTS

There is not the slightest doubt that Ribbentrop has antagonized large sections of opinion in his own country—honest Nazis and others who genuinely consider that Communism is an evil; Rosenberg theorists who believe in the doctrine of expansion northeastwards; admirals who do not care to see the Baltic become a Russian lake, and industrialists who looked to southeastern Europe for willing partners in German trade.

All these in greater or lesser degree have seen their hopes and their aims miscarried.

The author of their disillusionment is now trying, by bluster and false charges, to absolve himself from the consequences of his own ineptitude and to put upon the generals the responsibility for getting the country out of the difficult position into which he has thrust it.

He ended his lamentable speech with a call to that war against Britain which itself falsifies his own forecasts and declares the bankruptcy of his own policy. — British Wireless.

BRITAIN'S INDIA POLICY

Mr. Wedgwood Benn Criticises White Paper

MADRAS CONGRESS PARTY ACTS

Madras, To-day.
The Legislative Assembly at Madras by 153 votes to 22, passed a motion disapproving the Viceroy's declaration and expressing confidence in the Ministry and approval of its intention to resign.

Members of the Muslim League Party walked out of the Assembly when the Speaker ruled out of order the party's amendment. —Reuter.

STRIKE IN SHANGHAI POST OFFICE

SHANGHAI, TO-DAY.
ALL CHINESE EMPLOYEES IN THE SHANGHAI GENERAL POST OFFICE WENT ON STRIKE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE SHANGHAI POST OFFICE CHINESE EMPLOYEES UNION.

The Union some days ago petitioned the post office authorities for a general salary increase of \$15 per month.

This was rejected and yesterday none of the Chinese employees returned to work after lunch. — Our Own Correspondent.

SIR SAMUEL HOARE GIVES MASTERLY REVIEW: POSSIBILITIES IMMENSE

London, To-day.

IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS debate yesterday on India, Mr. Wedgwood Benn (Labour) said that he considered the White Paper a "clumsy document." It had drawn penetrating questions from Mr. Gandhi: What were our war aims, and whether India could share them?

He reviewed India's contribution in the last war and the contribution she could make in this one. India hated Hitlerism as much as Britain did.

There had been a lot of unnecessary confusion in the matter of Britain's policy of Dominion status. India was now asked to make sacrifices, and she was entitled to be assured that the cause was also hers—namely, freedom.

He considered that Indians should be represented on the Imperial War Council in London. He agreed that nothing could be done about the 1935 Act until the war was over, but Britain must now decide how far she could go in securing the freedom of India.

Regarding the eventual discussion of this, he said that conferences should be held in India, and the task of any delegates Britain might send would be to set the seal on any agreement the Indians made.

TWO PROPOSALS

Replying, Sir Samuel Hoare referred to the two proposals the Viceroy had made, that the constitutional policy should be considered at

the end of the war, and that during the war leading Indians should be consulted about all important questions.

These proposals had been rejected by Congress and accepted by most of the rest of India. It had been asked why Britain could not have gone further and made political Indians more directly responsible for the conduct of the war.

It must be remembered that the British policy centred around the policy of Dominion status, the full equality of India with other parts of the Empire. Dominion status must be regulated by the facts that actually exist.

DIVISIONS IN INDIAN LIFE

Difficulties arise out of the many divisions in Indian life and the Indians themselves must remove them. So long as they exist, the Government cannot accept a demand for more and full responsibility without being false to the pledges to minorities and the foreign communities.

Regarding the suggestion that Indian political leaders should hold portfolios, this was also a difficult question, but he saw no reason why the situation should not be carefully re-examined, providing these difficulties were removed.

With regard to the consultative conference, Congress had too hastily assumed this meant nothing. He urged them to re-consider this point and he believed they would find the Viceroy eager to take political leaders into his confidence on war problems.

GREAT POSSIBILITIES

"I believe myself that the great possibilities of consultations of this kind are not sufficiently appreciated," the Foreign Secretary went on.

If full use were made of them, they might well prove to be the bridge on which to carry India over the great division of communal bitterness into the new way of constitutional advance.

It would make discussions at the end of the war easier.

He urged Congress to meet the Viceroy before taking any irrevocable decision.

MIGHT PUT CLOCK BACK

If, as rumoured, it came to "non-operation," "we here have no choice." The British Government wanted co-operation, not conflict. It wanted to see its policy of Dominion status for India achieved and the realization of conditions in which India could take its real place in the Empire.

Non-co-operation might put the clock back for years. In India, Britain had started the greatest constitutional experiment the

THEFT FROM FRIEND OF FATHER

Mok Chi-leung, 24, was charged before Mr. R. Edwards this morning with stealing a gold finger ring set with diamonds, a jade and gold appendage set with pearls and diamonds, and \$200 in Chinese currency from a Chinese lady, Cheng Siu-kwan, at the Great Eastern Hotel.

Defendant told the Court that he wished to join the Chinese army.

Complainant, an acquaintance of defendant's father, asked the Court to deal with the case leniently.

Defendant was sentenced to two months' hard labour, and was recommended for banishment.

world had ever known. Britain's policy was not to govern, but to help others to govern themselves.—Reuter.

Sir Samuel Hoare referred to the divisions that had made so difficult the task of establishing a responsible government at the centre in India, and said that as long as they existed it was impossible for the Government to accept the demand for immediate full responsibility at the centre on a particular date.

If they did so they would be false to the pledges given time after time in the most solemn words to the Moslem and other minorities and to the European community.

NO CHOICE

Referring to the alternative of non-co-operation, under which the Indian Congress went its own way and the British Government and the minority communities in India went theirs, Sir Samuel said:

"If it comes to this issue we should have no choice. The King Emperor's government must be carried on with efficiency, strength and justice."

After stating that they had started India on the greatest constitutional experiment the world had ever seen, Sir Samuel added:

MISSION IN WORLD

"We long ago set aside Imperialistic ambitions. We believe our mission in the world is not to govern other people but to help others to govern themselves, as shown in the India Act of 1935, under which, of our own free will, we transferred wide authority to the Indian Government."

"It is in this spirit that we intend to administer the Act, and during the war do our utmost to remove the divisions standing in the way of its full achievement."

"When the war ends, and ends victoriously, as the result of the Empire's united efforts, we mean to proceed at once to deal with the constitutional difficulties that have emerged in the experience of recent years."

"Non-co-operation, and non-co-operation alone, will stop this swift, steady progress." — Reuter.

NO FINALITY

Sir Hugh O'Neill, the Under-Secretary of State for India, winding up the debate, said that no reasonable person could deny the inherent justice of the position adopted in the Viceroy's statement.

There was after all, he said, no finality to the White Paper. Given the right conditions, it might be possible, before the end of the war, to begin negotiations which would result in advancing the date of introduction of full Dominion status. — Reuter.

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THE KING AT NUMBER TEN. — H.M. the King visited No. 10, Downing Street on Sept. 1. Photo shows—Mr. Chamberlain shaking hands with the King as he leaves Number Ten. (Copyright, Fox).

To Judge

"Conchies"

Judge Hargreaves has been appointed chairman of the London tribunal before which conscientious objectors to compulsory service in the Militia will state their cases.

Thetis Widows:

"Help Others"

Some of the Thetis widows, who have private means, do not want to draw money from the Mansion House Fund, now £131,000. They say that other widows, whose financial position is not so good, should come first.

The first provisional payments to dependants of victims made.

Quads' Brother

Has Bronchitis

Gordon Miles, five-and-a-half-year-old brother of the St. Neots Quads, has developed bronchitis—in spite of his being sent away when two of the Quads—Paul and Ann—developed it.

He returned home and was taken ill. He had a bad night, but was stated to be comfortable.

Gordon's illness will not interfere with visiting.

The chief of the Baghdad police Hasham Alaoui, was found shot dead near the Syrian-Irak frontier.

Crown Prince Michael, who will be 18 in October, is now a sub-lieutenant in the Rumanian Navy, and was gazetted on Aug. 15, Navy Day.

Prince Jean, heir to the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, presided at a camp fire organised by Luxembourg Scouts at a camp at Saint Jorioz.

A request by the U. S. Government for the extradition from France of Isaac Lelzer, a Rabbi of Brooklyn, on charges of smuggling heroin will probably be granted.

The Flying Panthers

Two young panthers from Central Africa have arrived at Marseilles by air from Algiers. They were captured in the Congo territory and made the entire journey by air.

Feel Fitter Now?

Grants totalling £1,468,302 have been made or offered by the Fitness Council since its inception, says an official report.

Boots By The Million

Contracts for the supply of boots for the armies of France, Poland, Turkey, Rumania and Greece are to be placed in Great Britain. But British army contracts come first, and in Northampton alone orders for 2,000,000 pairs are in hand.

Very Compleat Angler

Gangs of salmon poachers are using an ingenious and profitable method on Scottish lakes in Argyllshire.

First salmon roe, which makes fish hungry, is thrown into the water. Then "otters" (slabs of wood behind which trail hundreds of baited hooks) are drawn across the water by hand lines, the fish leaping around them. Each "otter" often catches as many as forty fish, which are hurried to the market on fast motor-cycles.

M. Lebrun, the French President, and Mme. Lebrun are to visit the Grand Duchess Charlotte of Luxembourg at Berg Castle.

A large number of Paris doctors received by post a pamphlet from Germany on Danzig, consisting of articles by Herr Karl Hans Fuchs, Press officer of the Danzig Senate.

An announcement signed by Marshal Voroshiloff, Soviet Defence Commissar, states that Major-Gen. Kholz, a "Hero of the Soviet Union," and three other airmen, "perished while on duty" and have been cremated.

SURPRISE FOR TWO PEERS

SOLICITORS' LETTERS requiring payment of rates on blocks of land in the heart of Darwin, Northern Australia, have been sent to the London addresses of the Earl of Rosebery and the Duke of Manchester. This was the result of an inquiry to find out who owned the land:

The ownership of large blocks of land—mostly unused—in Australia have been in doubt and the inquiry was held at the request of local rate collecting authorities.

New Sea Giant

A sister ship to the crack French liner Normandie, to be called Bretagne, is to be built. The object is to have two liners capable of making the double crossing of the Atlantic every fortnight, thus having a weekly service similar to that of the Queen Mary and the Queen Elizabeth.

Try It Next Time

Tomatoes and lettuce—taken together—are said to have proved in recent tests to be effective in preventing air sickness.

For Humanity's

Sake

"Whatever the legal position, all disused open pit shafts, for the sake of humanity, should be filled in or effectively covered," said Walsall's deputy coroner, Mr. J. Addison, at an inquest on a boy who fell into one.

More "Foot And Mouth"

Four more cases of foot and mouth disease in South Hampshire, making seven during the past week, were confirmed in the Curdridge and Dursley district. Already 121 head of cattle have been destroyed. Alresford Agricultural Show, has been cancelled.

Fleas To Fight

Rabbits

Fleas may save Australia the terrific annual bill for damages presented by the rabbit.

A virus from the flea infects the rabbit with a fatal influenza, but it is harmless to human beings and other animals. The fleas are now being bred as quickly as possible.

Rabbits are the greatest plague Australia knows. Millions have bred from one pair originally imported, and the country is now overrun with them. The damage they do is put at £40,000,000 a year.

Twins Will

Wed At Same Time

Two Bristol bridegrooms will have to take great care to secure the right brides at St. Bonaventure's Church, Bishopston, for they are marrying twin sisters, so alike that it is hard to tell them apart.

The twins are Frances and Veronica, aged twenty-five, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Hignell, of Clarence Avenue, Bishopston, Bristol. They have always been inseparable, wear glasses, do the same sort of work and have the same hobbies.

On their twenty-first birthday they had two iced cakes with a bridge between them.

There will once more be two cakes, but on this occasion there will be no bridge since the twins are separating for the first time in their lives.



STEEL HELMETS AND IRON RATIONS FOR LONDON POLICEMEN.—In view of the seriousness of the situation the Metropolitan Police were all issued with steel helmets and iron rations. This is only one of the measures which shows the preparedness of the country. Photo shows—A policeman leaving Scotland Yard with his helmet and iron rations in the haversack. (Copyright, Fox).

New Warship

On Trials

H. M. flotilla-leader Kelly, of 1,600 tons displacement, built at Hebburn, left the Tyne for her acceptance trials.

Made Famous

Decision

Sir John Meir Astbury, who as a Chancery Judge held that the general strike of 1926 was illegal, has died at Sandwich Kent, aged seventy-nine.

Presented From Court

Witness at Highgate: The reason for this accident was that there were too many cars per square yard.

"I couldn't possibly have avoided the accident. The defendant was on the offensive."—Motorist at Highgate.

Husband at Willesden: My wife has hung money-back at me.

Europe's wheat production, excluding Russia, this year is estimated at 44,000,000 metric tons, 14 per cent. below last year's figure, but 2 per cent. higher than the average between 1923 and 1937.

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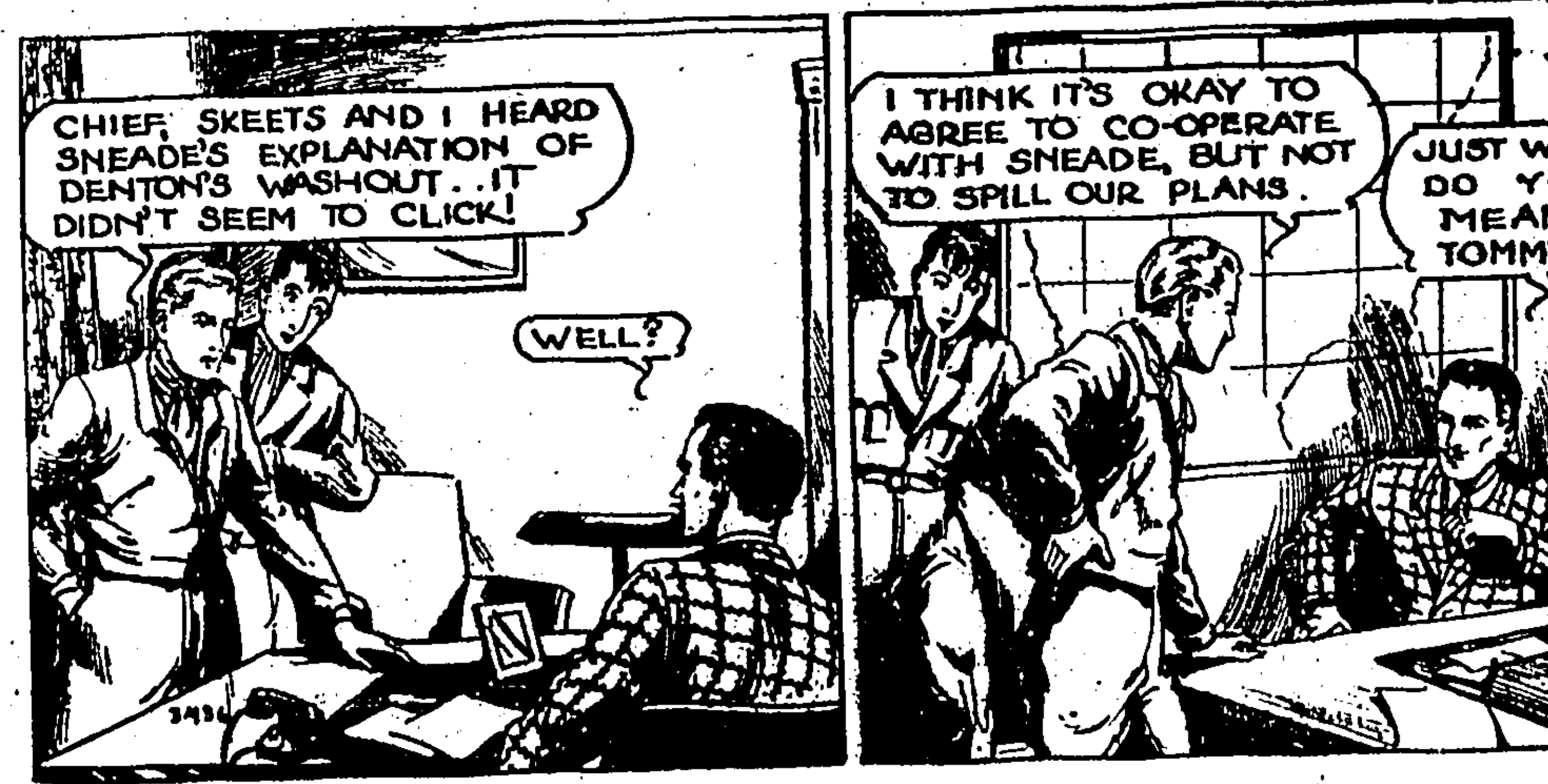
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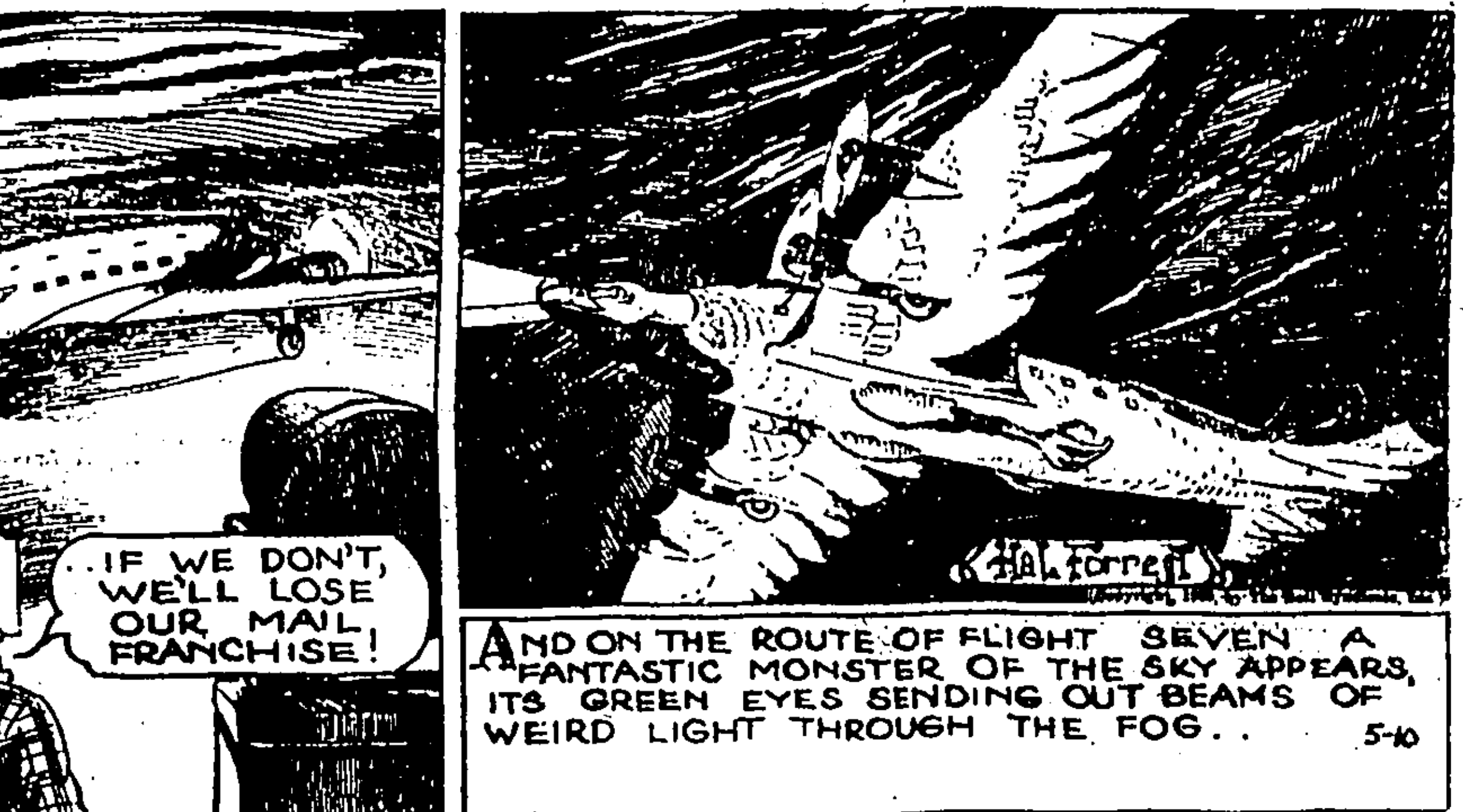
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SHORT STORY

THE TWO KISSES - - - By Holloway Horn

THE two sisters were alike only in appearance; in other and perhaps more important ways there were differences which widened with the years. The warm tints of their hair—sunlight on old mahogany Tom Purcell had described it—were the same, but there was a coldness in Gloria Rumbold's eyes which was missing in her sister's.

Gloria had married at twenty—ten years before; at twenty-five, Mary was still heart-whole. Many men had loved her, but she was rather old-fashioned and believed that somewhere was the one man for whom she preferred to wait.

Gloria thought her a fool . . . and did not hesitate to say so. "My dear, you are only young once. If you don't have a decent time now, you never will."

If there were one thing which Gloria envied her younger sister it was just this freedom, this chance of a "good time." Her husband was, as husbands go, reasonably understanding; but even the best of them are apt to become a little tedious after ten years, particularly to anyone as attractive as Gloria. Walter Rumbold, however, was an exceedingly wealthy man; the young men who fluttered round his wife were not, nor ever likely to be. And Gloria had no sentimental illusions—particularly where money was concerned.

The Rumbolds usually spent the early summer in an old house on the river at Pangbourne. Rumbold's money and Gloria's personality made it one of the social pivots of that part of the river. There had been several more or less harmless affairs between Gloria and the various young men who came her way that season, but it was after a wilder escapade than usual that her sister, who was spending a few weeks with her, protested; "I'm perfectly certain Walter wouldn't like it, Gloria."

"Naturally," Gloria laughed. "He's my husband. But what harm is there in it? After all, a harmless flirtation was occasionally allowed even to the Victorian young women."

"If I were married . . ." began Mary.

"I know," her sister interrupted. "You wouldn't look at another man, and within six months your husband would probably be bored to tears with you. And it would serve you jolly well right!"

"You really think this sort of thing makes Walter fond of you?"

"Yes. And keeps him fond. Once a man's absolutely certain of a woman he loses interest in her."

"Anyway, I've told you what I think about it. You'll burn your fingers if you aren't careful. Walter is obviously getting jealous and suspicious, and it's foolish to go on as you do. I believe you only do it to annoy him."

"We can't all be prim and proper little maidens like you," her sister laughed.

Tom Purcell could not, fairly, be classed with the usual young men who wasted their time with Gloria. Neither of the girls had known him long, but he was amusing, and that is an important thing in life—nowadays. Mary had met him first at an exhibition of his pictures in town; he had been enthusiastic about the colour of her hair and begged to be allowed to paint her.

Rumbold liked him; indeed, he was almost the only one of his wife's friends whom he tolerated without an effort. He commissioned a portrait of Gloria, and by the time it was finished Purcell, who was staying on a house boat at Goring, was accepted as a friend of the family.

He was in the neighbourhood of thirty, and curiously enough, perhaps, had never had a serious love-affair in his life. The subtle contrast between the two sisters was clearer to him than it would have been to a less sensitive man; but few men, however clever, knew more about Gloria than she wanted them to.

She very soon realised that her usual methods would not avail with Purcell, and became natural, frank, and comradely when he was with her,

carefully avoiding any suggest of "vamping." She developed an entirely new enthusiasm for Art. Incidentally, her conduct puzzled Mary, which was a much greater compliment to her skill than was Purcell's unconsciousness of danger. Her husband too, was completely deceived by her attitude. He was satisfied that she had no more interest in the artist than that of a good friend.

The climax was reached one afternoon early in June, a limpid afternoon of quiet warmth. Gloria's husband was in town and was not expected back until the following day. Mary had taken a punt and a book upstream.

Gloria was in the dim hall alone. She could not make up her mind what to do. As it happened, none of her usual young men was in attendance. The more welcome, therefore, was Purcell, when, just before four o'clock, his two-seater drew up outside. He asked, in his cheery way, where Mary was. Gloria, with a certain amount of truth, said she might be in at any moment.

Mary, as a matter of fact, did not come in from the river until it was time to change for dinner. She heard Gloria moving about in her room as she passed, but had barely reached her own when her sister followed her in.

"Where on earth have you been?" she asked. Mary saw at a glance that something had upset her.

"On the river, of course. What's wrong?"

"Look here, Mary . . . I'm in a most awkward hole."

"Whatever do you mean, Gloria?"

"Now I suppose I've got to make a long explanation," the elder sister said impatiently. "If you were only like other girls you'd understand at once! The trouble is just this: Walter came back from town unexpectedly this afternoon. He said he wasn't coming back until to-morrow morning."

"Well?"

"He came into the hall . . . just sauntered in."

"It's his hall," Mary pointed out, coldly.

"Yes, I know," said Gloria angrily. "But he blundered in at the moment when Tom Purcell happened to be kissing me!"

"Gloria!"

"Now, for goodness' sake, drop that outraged innocent air. You've got to get me out of this mess!"

"Me?"

"Yes. If I hadn't had my wits about me, there would have been a rare old scene."

"I should think there would have been one in any case."

"No. I told Walter that Tom had just become engaged to you—and that I was congratulating him."

"You told him that? In front of Tom?" Mary gasped.

"Yes. Tom acted up splendidly. That's the best of dealing with an intelligent man. He seized on the point at once—I suppose he had to! The only danger was that you would come barging in and spoiling the effect."

"But I don't understand . . ."

"Nonsense. It's quite simple. For a day or so you are going to be engaged to Tom Purcell. He'll be quite nice to be engaged to. At the end of a week you can discover that you have made a mistake and break it off. He's coming in to dinner this evening. Walter asked him—he's frightfully

bucked about it! He would be!"

"I won't come down, Gloria. It's madness!"

"Mary, if you give me away over this, I'll never forgive you," Gloria said desperately. "What does it matter? You needn't say much. In any case, shyness suits you perfectly. The whole affair of the engagement is just a joke! Treat it as a joke! You and Tom Purcell can have the laugh of your lives over it."

"I won't. I can't . . . The whole thing is contemptible!"

"Why not? There's nothing to do. For goodness' sake don't put on this stiff, puritanical air!" Gloria snapped.

"The whole ally business amounts to nothing. He's amusing, but that's all

I was bored. I made him kiss me. He's never done it before, or shown the least desire to do so, and I'm certain he won't again. I assure you I don't love him in the least."

"You don't love him?" Mary asked with sudden, overwhelming resentment.

"Of course not," said Gloria calmly. "I do!" her sister said bitterly.

For a moment or so, Gloria was silent. Then she smiled. "My dear child," she said, "what a simply wonderful opportunity for you! If I had known you were in love with him and had thought of the idea, I'd have done it on purpose!"

"Whatever 'opportunity' I ever had has gone . . . now," Mary said. "But I'll do my best, for your sake."

"I knew you would, dear. Now I must rush!"

Alone in her room Mary Foster mechanically completed her dressing. The dinner gong sounded, and, with a tightening feeling round her heart, she went down the stairs. As she came to the bend she could see the hall below; Gloria's tinkling little laugh floated up to her. Purcell was there, and Walter Rumbold. The three of them were on the terrace; Mary saw them through the open French window.

Purcell caught sight of her first, and hurried to meet her. They came face to face at the foot of the stairs. He took her hand in his.

"Mary . . . I'm sorry," he said in a low tone. "I feel a most unspeakable cad."

"It isn't altogether your fault," she said.

At dinner Walter Rumbold insisted on proposing the health of Mary and Purcell. He rather fancied himself as a speaker, and regarded the occasion as an excellent opportunity. Gloria was obviously bored. Purcell sat listening uneasily, not daring to look at either Gloria or Mary. At the end of the speech, after the health was drunk, Rumbold, who could never leave well alone, demanded a speech from Purcell in reply.

"Thanks very much," said the painter, which, as a speech, was far more effective than his host's had been.

It was a lovely night, and when they went out on to the terrace after dinner the Thames was a river of mystery, alive in the moonlight.

"Come on, Gloria. I want a stroll by the water," said Rumbold with an elaborate wink. The line of demarcation between geniality and vulgarity was not always very distinct in him.

Gloria put the best face on the situation that she could, and the two of them strolled off, leaving Mary and Purcell alone on the terrace.

"Cigarette, Mary?"

"No, thank you."

A silence. Mary was looking out to where Gloria and her husband were dimly silhouetted against the glistening river.

"I'm . . . I'll go back to town in the morning, Mary, if you'd rather."

She shrugged her shoulders. "Why upset your arrangements? It seems almost a pity to deny Gloria the pleasure of your company."

"I deserve everything you say, Mary. I've been all sorts of a cad, but will you believe—I know, it's putting it all on to Gloria—that I wouldn't have dragged you into this for anything? I'd rather have had a row with Rumbold."

"Aren't you exaggerating the whole stupid affair?" she asked coldly.

"No," he said.

"I think you are. You must know what I think of you—and Gloria? Here . . . in Walter's house!"

"You've made it quite clear, Mary," he said quietly.

"Surely you didn't expect me to be enthusiastic at having one of Gloria's young men foisted on to me, even for a day or so?"

"No. But really you aren't fair. I came here this afternoon to see you."

"I admit that I didn't think you were the type that makes love to another man's wife under his own roof. One lives . . . and learns."

"I came to see you this afternoon,"

he said stubbornly. "I came to ask you to marry me."

"Nonsense!" she said.

"And I ask you now," he persisted. "I love you. I've loved you for weeks past. What is more, Gloria knows it now."

Mary laughed. "My dear Tom," she said. "You've no sense of humour. Not a shred!"

"At the moment I don't think I have. Perhaps no man in love has."

"The truth probably is that you are attracted by our type. The individual woman doesn't matter. Gloria . . . me . . . the next woman. No, thank you. Nothing doing. Only I shouldn't go on kissing Gloria if I were you. Walter will be a nasty fellow to come up against, particularly after to-day."

"Oh, damn Gloria!" he said. "I never have kissed her, I've never even wanted to kiss her!"

"But you did!"

"I didn't. She kissed me. Sorry, Mary. It's a caddish thing to say, but it's true. You've somehow dragged it out of me!"

"Is it true?"

"Yes. It's you I love . . . you I want to kiss."

"I used to hope it was," Mary, admitted, relenting. "I . . . I'm glad."

Which upshot amused Gloria—but it also gave her something to think about.

WOMEN WANT WAR JOBS

So many women have applied to the Women's Engineering Society for training in munition work that the society now has a long waiting list.

"We started special classes to train women for this work some time ago," Miss Caroline Haslett, the hon. secretary, told the press.

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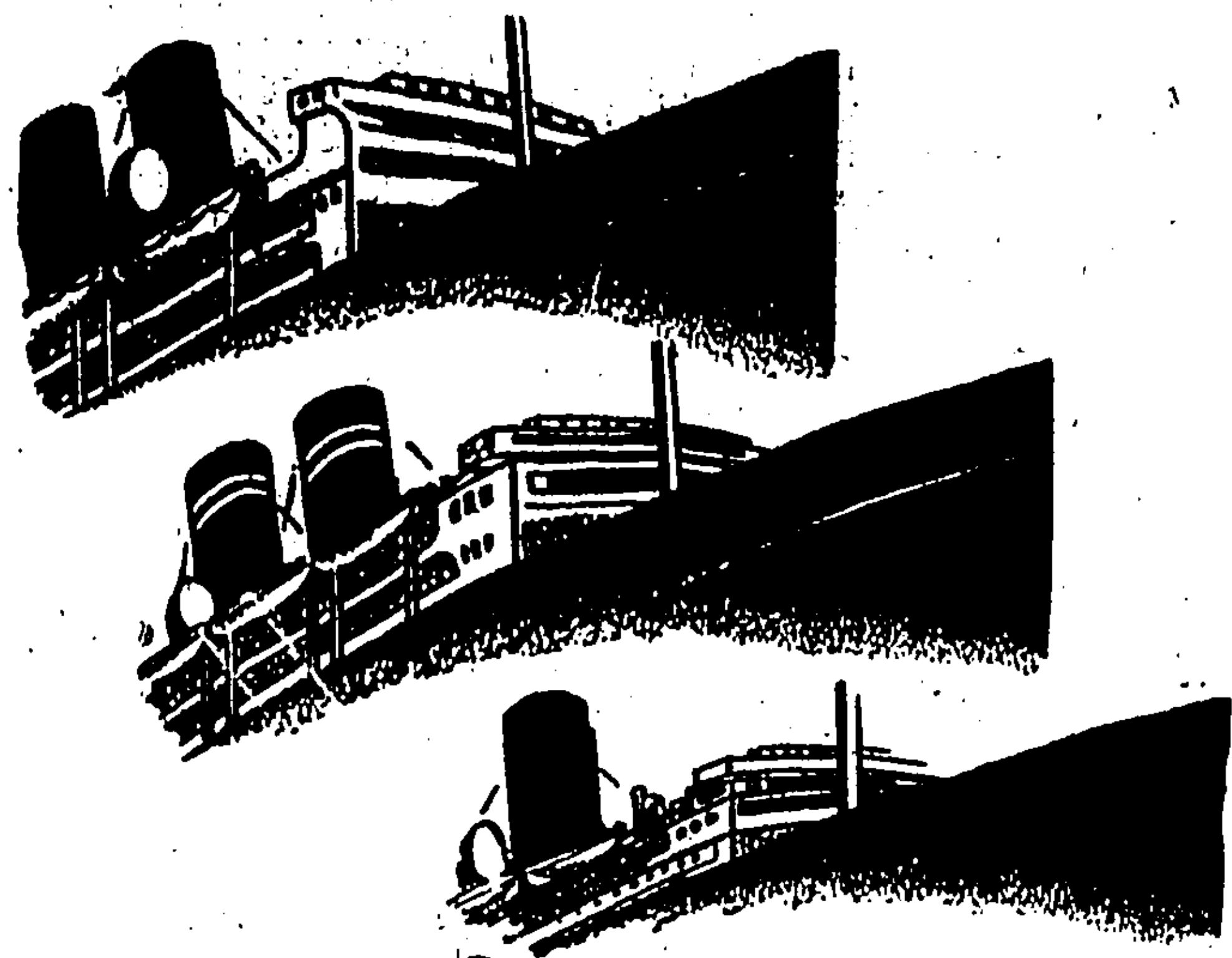
"Wherever else there is a real demand for these classes we are prepared to negotiate with the London Polytechnic, with whom we are in co-operation, to get them started."

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Japan	October 27.
Haiphong	October 27.
Japan	October 27.
Japan	October 28.
Manila	October 28.
Shanghai	October 28.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan—(San Francisco date, 30th September)	October 28.
Calcutta and Saigon	October 28.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 6th Oct.)	October 28.
Japan and Shanghai	October 28.
Japan	October 29.
Straits	October 29.
Manila	October 29.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hoihow	October 29.
Shanghai and Amoy	October 29.
Japan and Shanghai	October 29.
Japan	October 29.
Shanghai	October 29.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 21st October	October 30.
Shanghai	October 30.
Shanghai	October 30.
Shanghai and Amoy	October 30.
Straits	October 30.
Japan	October 31.
Japan and Shanghai	October 31.
Straits	October 31.
Australia and Manila	October 31.
Shanghai	October 31.

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For	Per	Date and Time.
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Fort Bayard		Oct. 27, 10.00 a.m.
Formosa		Oct. 27, 7.00 p.m.
SATURDAY		
Saigon		Oct. 28, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and parcels only for Tientsin		Oct. 28, 12.30 p.m.
Amoy		Oct. 28, 3.30 p.m.
Manila		Oct. 28, 5.00 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 5th Nov.	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
	Reg.,	Oct. 28, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Oct. 28, 5.30 p.m.
	Parcels,	Oct. 28, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Oct. 28, 5.30 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta		Oct. 28, 5.30 p.m.
Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 11th November.	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
	Reg.,	Oct. 28, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Oct. 28, 5.30 p.m.
SUNDAY		
Swatow		Oct. 29, 9.00 p.m.
Shanghai and parcels only for Tientsin		Oct. 29, 9.00 p.m.
Fort Bayard, Hoihow and Pakhoi		Oct. 29, 9.00 p.m.
MONDAY		
Japan		Oct. 30, 8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 1st December and London Parcels—due London, 9th December.	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
	Par.,	Oct. 30, 5.00 p.m.
	Reg.,	Oct. 31, 8.45 a.m.
	Ord.,	Oct. 31, 9.30 a.m.
Parcels only for Calcutta		Oct. 30, Noon.
Parcels only for Haiphong		Oct. 30, 1.00 p.m.
Haiphong		Oct. 30, 2.00 p.m.
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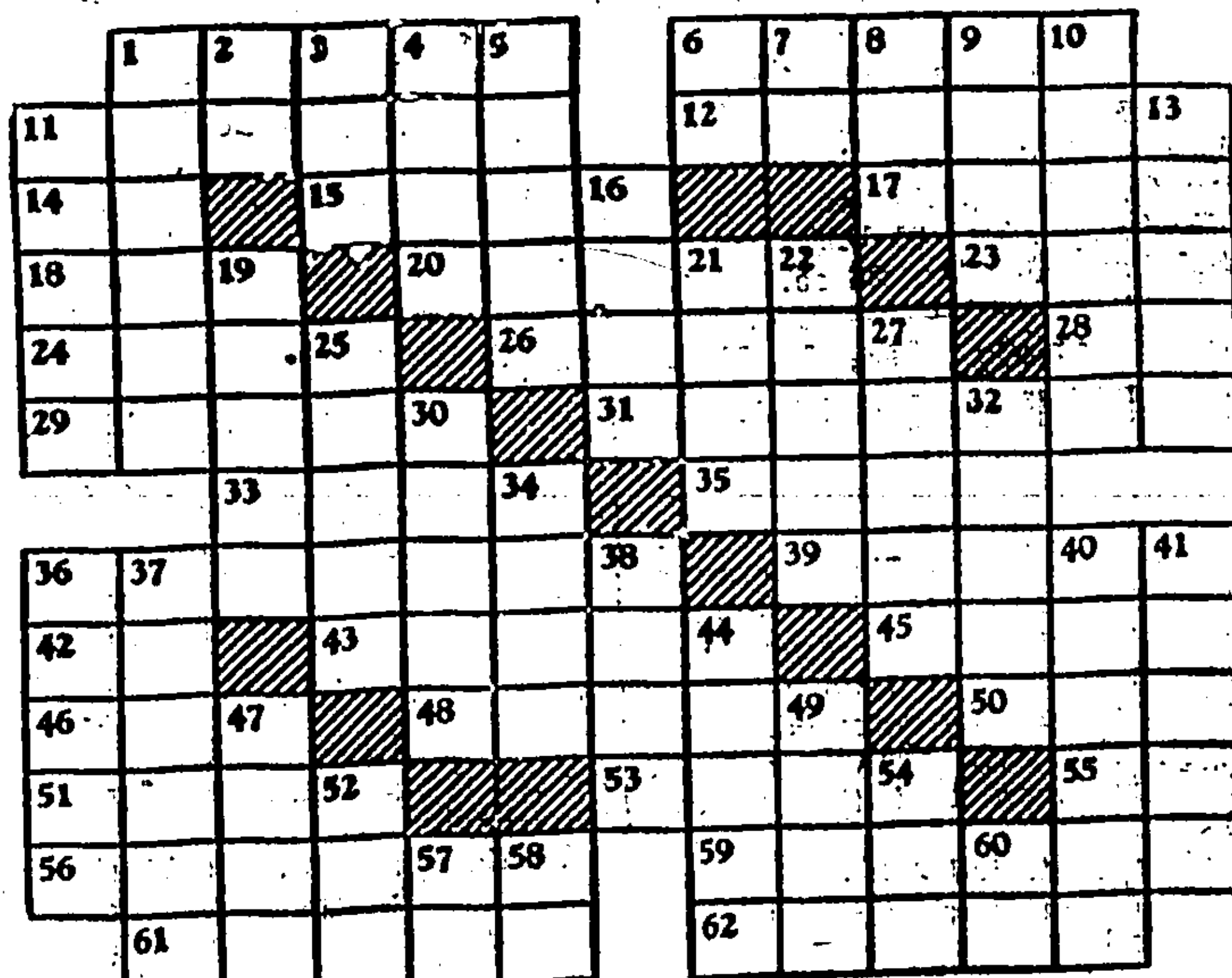
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- 1 Mining excavation
- 6 Rabbits
- 11 Supported
- 12 Ran away with lover
- 14 Either
- 15 Ship's prison
- 17 Additional
- 18 Huge
- 20 Brilliant success
- 23 Transgress
- 24 Nights before
- 26 River in Spain
- 28 Near
- 29 Renovate
- 31 Contradictions
- 33 Western Indians
- 35 To carol
- 36 Soft tints
- 39 Chairs
- 42 Pronoun
- 43 Disgrace
- 45 Father
- 46 Seed covering
- 48 Spar
- 50 At present
- 51 Wife of Geraints

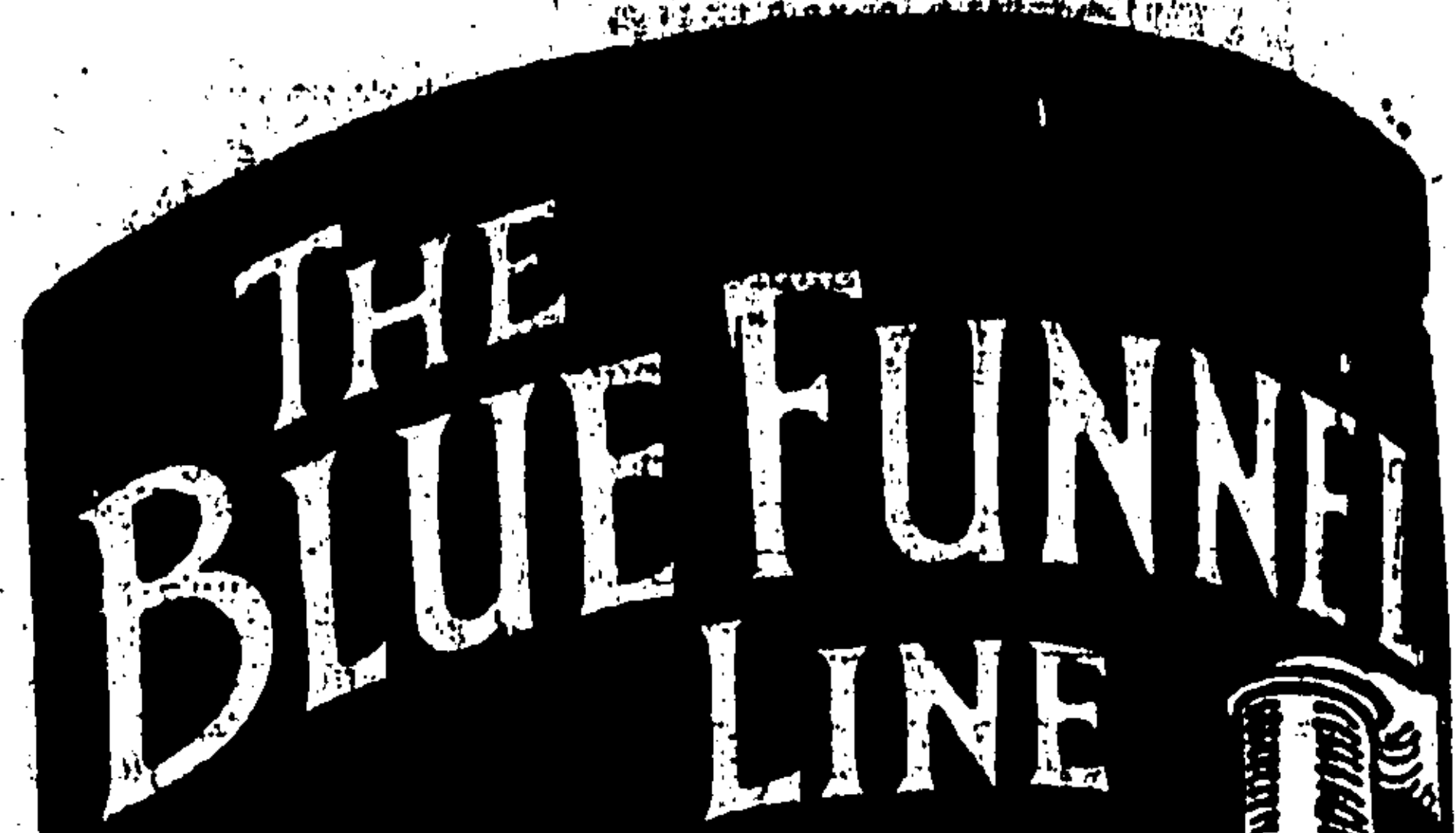
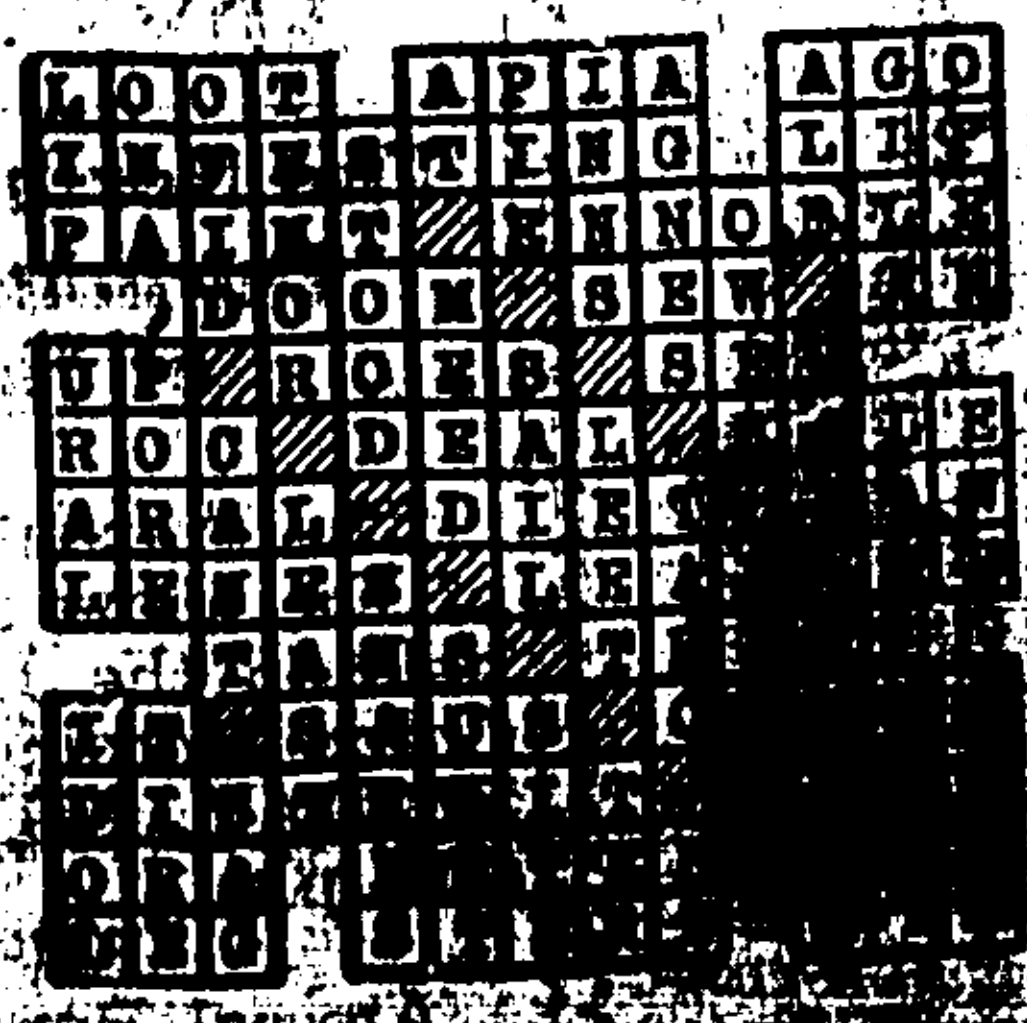
VERTICAL

- 53 Level
- 55 Hebrew letter
- 56 Resuscitate
- 59 Eaten away
- 61 More level-headed
- 62 Satisfied

VERTICAL

- 1 Hear confession of
- 2 Preposition
- 3 Globe
- 4 Father (Fr.)
- 5 Rule
- 6 Pronoun
- 8 Man's nickname
- 8 Gypsy
- 9 Epic poem
- 10 Continued story
- 11 Staid
- 13 Notches
- 16 Happy
- 19 Classification
- 21 Eons
- 22 North African city
- 25 A bout
- 27 Trigonometrical figures
- 30 Wild-growing plants
- 32 Anew
- 34 Woman's undergarment
- 36 One who plays the flute
- 37 Makes amends for
- 38 Sea
- 40 Figure of speech (pl.)
- 41 Stretched
- 44 Measure of distance (pl.)
- 47 Opera singer
- 49 Old Irish capital
- 52 Noise
- 54 Colloquial child
- 57 Brother of Odin
- 58 Comparative ending
- 60 Prefix: down

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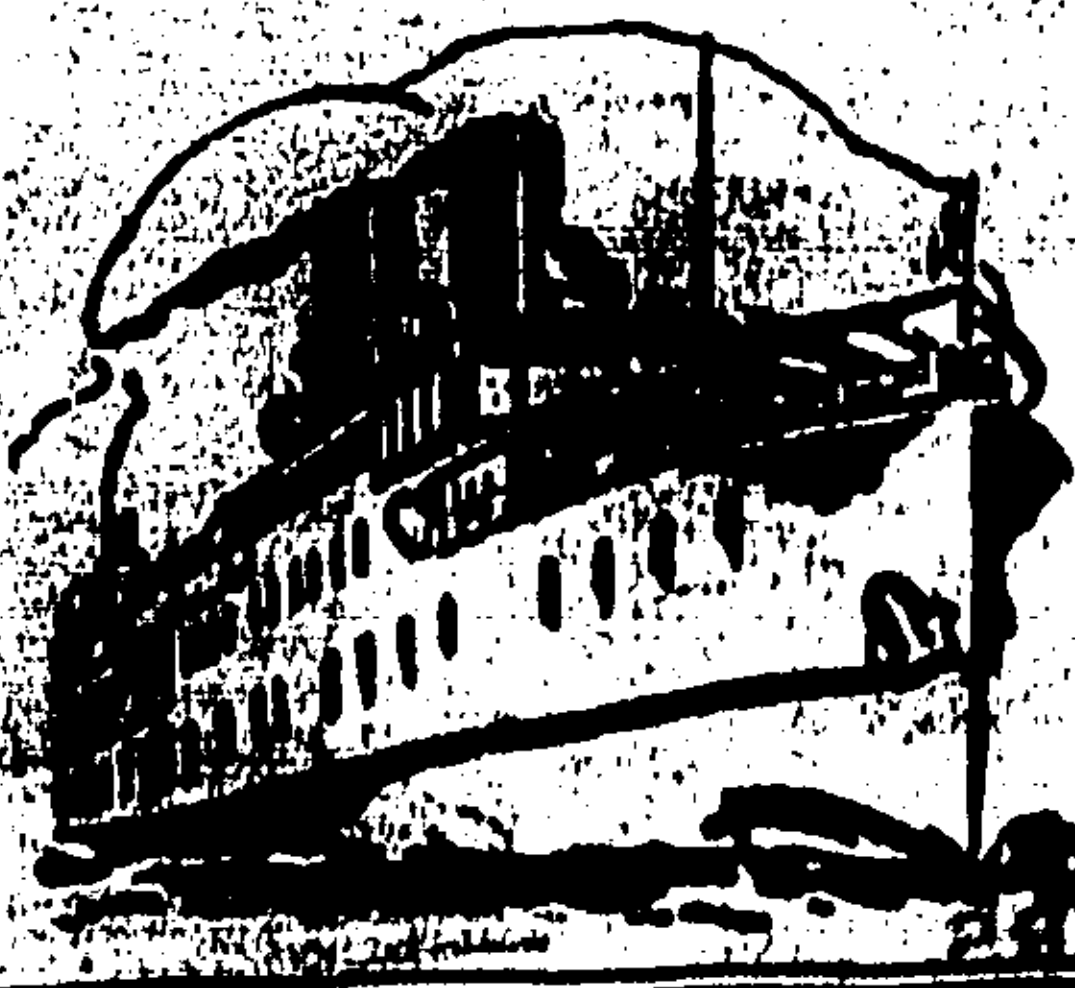
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LOCAL SHARES

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations to-day:

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Hong Kong Bank \$1300 b.

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Canton Ins. \$202½ b.

Union Ins. \$400 sa.

H.K. Fire Ins. \$170 b.

SHIPPING

Douglases \$67½ b.

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ETC.

H.K. Docks \$18 b.

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H.K. and S. Hotels \$4½ b.

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H.K. Tramways \$15.80 b., \$15.90 s., \$15.90 sa.

Yaumati Ferries \$22 b.

China Lights (Old) \$7.60 b.

China Lights (New) \$4¾ b.

Sandakan Lights \$11½ b.

Telephones (Old) \$20.20 b.

INDUSTRIALS

Cements \$14 b., \$14.10 sa.

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Dairy Farms (Old) \$19¼ b., \$20¼ s.

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Mind. Mother Lode Ps. .07¼ sa.

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North Camarines Ps. .13 b.

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Telephone girls, and men too, do not run for shelter when an air raid warning is sounded. They stay at the switchboards despite the danger.

At one exchange, the Ministry of Information revealed men were on duty when a warning sounded. Soon afterwards the girls arrived to take over but the men told them to go to a shelter.

The girls protested but had to go and the men stayed on until the all clear sounded.

AGITATORS INFLAME PEOPLE

Belgrade, Oct. 8.

Caused by Germanophile propaganda, incidents occurred in Croatia to-day and spread terrorism which broke out in several districts during in past few days.

Policemen were manhandled by mobs and Serbs and Croats alleged to have co-operated with the Central Government were compelled to leave Croatia and seek refuge in Belgrade. The most serious incident occurred in Karlyvac, where a number of Croat reserves called to the colours showed discontent and had to be threatened before yielding to discipline.

Propaganda responsible for the tide of resentment is carried on by extremist Croat agitators who say they accept no agreement with Belgrade or the Central Government. They accuse the great Croat leader, M. Vladimir Machek, of having betrayed them when he agreed to a coalition with the Government and accepted the post of Vice-Premier.

The only solution to the Serb-Croat problem, they alleged, is complete independence for Croatia, even though it be under foreign protection, as with Slovakia. These agitators do not trouble even to hide their "admiration" for the Ustachi, members of the secret terrorist organization who assassinated King Alexander of Yugoslavia at Marseilles on October 9, 1934.

ONLY SMALL MINORITY INVOLVED

The first result of the Machek accord with Belgrade, they assert, is the mass recall of Croat Reserves and the extension to Croatia of precautionary military measures taken since last spring.

Agitators, in spreading their propaganda, try to persuade the people that Belgrade wants to drag them into war against Germany. Apparently half-convinced by these arguments, the Karlyvac Reserves refused to leave their homes when summoned as foreign propaganda had persuaded them that they would be sent to fight abroad. The significance of this incident, it was remarked here, was greatly exaggerated by Italian radio stations.

Foreign observers stated to-day that while the incidents in Croatia were not to be disregarded altogether, only a small minority of Croats were involved. M. Machek, venerable leader and partisan of Croat autonomy, retained all of his prestige in the eyes of by far the greater majority of Croats, they said.

In dealing with the Karlyvac incident, M. Machek was understood to have conferred with the Belgrade Government on measures to take to convince Croatia that Yugoslavia intended to remain neutral in the European War.—Havas.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-7/8.

Silver was quoted at 23-3/8 for spot and 23-1/4 forward.

The London on New York cross rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.02. The New York on London rate was £—U.S.\$4.0-3/8.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

The Northumberland and Durham Association of Hong Kong

The Annual General Meeting of the above Association will be held in the Board Room, South China Morning Post Ltd., on FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10th, at 4.15 p.m.

BUSINESS:

Annual Report and Statement of Accounts.
Election of officers.
Recommendations to Incoming Committee.

TO-DAY'S STRANGE STORY OF REAL PEOPLE

A FATAL MISSION
TO ABYSSINIA

By VINCENT TOWNE

Early in 1904 the American Government ratified an important treaty with King Menelik of Abyssinia, who, like ex-King Haile Selassie, also called himself Emperor of Ethiopia and boasted of being a descendant of the Queen of Sheba, mentioned in the Scriptures.

The Assistant Secretary of State, F. B. Loomis, commissioned his brother, Kent J. Loomis, as his confidential representative to bear the treaty to the dusky monarch at his capital, Addis Ababa. The mission was one entailing little responsibility and much interesting travel, and Kent Loomis, being the editor of a newspaper at Parkersburg, W. Va., had the mental equipment to both enjoy and fulfill it. After delivering the treaty he expected to hunt big game in Abyssinia.

DISAPPEARED

Stating that he would be gone two months, he bade his wife and child goodby in their southern home, and on June 14 sailed for Cherbourg on the Kaiser Wilhelm II. But before the ship reached its destination he was missed and no sooner had the cable flashed word of his disappearance than all sorts of puzzling rumours sprang up from various sources.

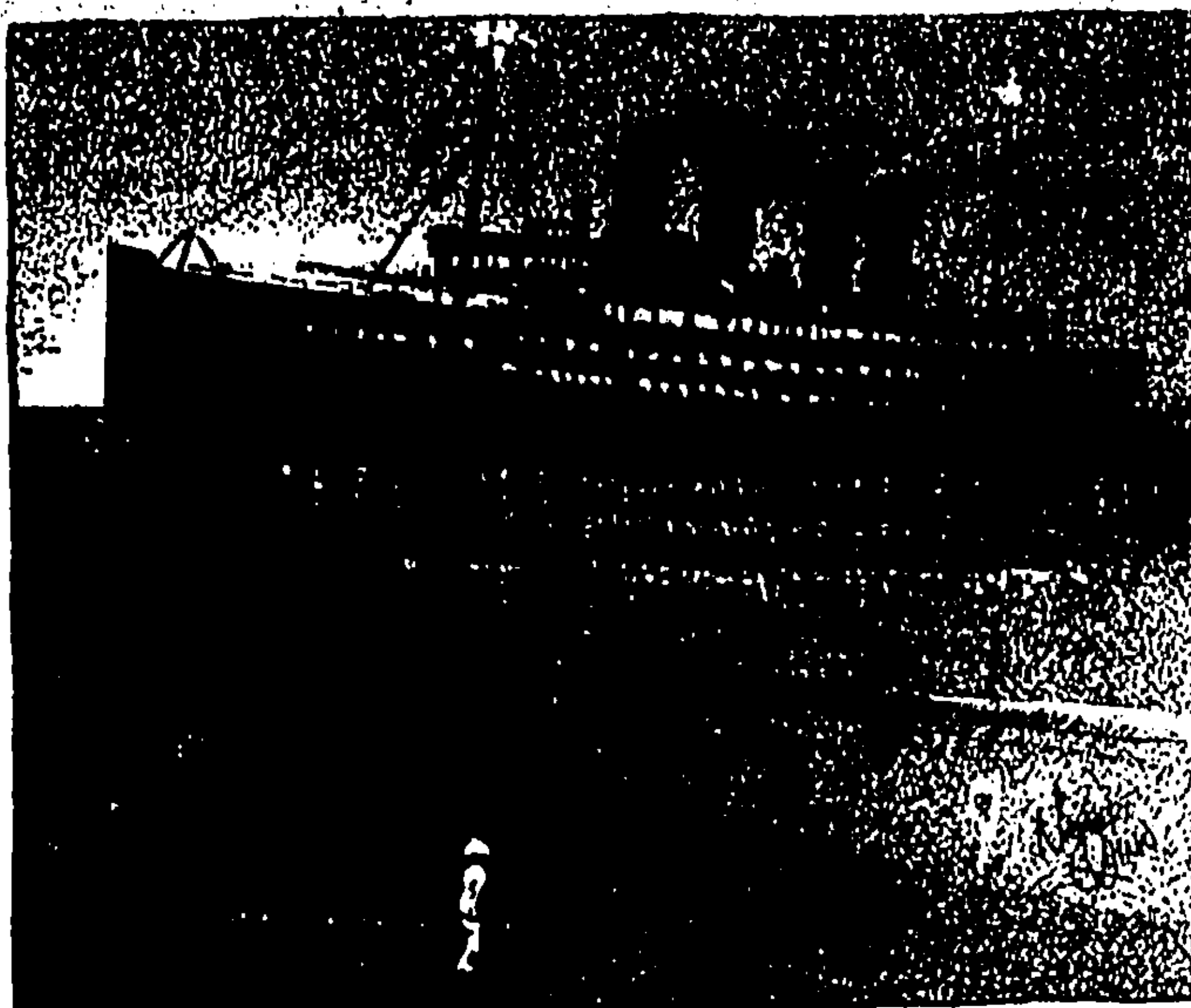
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LOOMIS WAS LAST SEEN ON DECK AN HOUR
OR TWO AFTER MIDNIGHT

Investigation showed that Loomis had been last seen an hour or two after midnight, June 19, when he had gone on deck following the usual captain's dinner, which had been given on the eve of the vessel's arrival at its destination. Shortly after that time the ship made a stop at Plymouth, England, where one passenger was positive he saw Mr. Loomis land with the crowd, in which he was borne along in what was described as a sort of dazed condition.

VAIN SEARCH

But the Kaiser Wilhelm's captain and head steward, who both had stood at the gangway when the passengers alighted, were equally as sure that Uncle Sam's confidential messenger did not leave the ship with the other passengers. Finally, when the vessel reached Cherbourg, whither he was booked, a vain search of all of the cabins was made for the vanished passenger. A promoter, William H. Ellis, Loomis' cabin mate and travelling companion, and who claimed to be a Cuban, stated, when questioned, that the editor's absence from his berth had not alarmed him after the vessel touched Plymouth, late at night, since the young man had been up very late the several previous nights.

NO CLUE

Ellis continued on the journey to Abyssinia, bearing the tin box containing the treaty, and a week went by without the appearance of a single

clue to the mystery. Then followed reports that the lost man had turned up alive at Paris; that he had been found dead at Cherbourg; also that he had been placed in a sanitarium at Plymouth—there to be kept until he might recover from a fit of abstraction. This fit, according to the last-mentioned rumour, had seized him about 2 o'clock on the night of his disappearance, and while he was acting strangely in the company of a man and woman on deck.

BODY WASHED ASHORE

All sorts of contradictory statements as to Loomis' fate continued until July 16 when—four weeks after his disappearance—his body was found washed up at Warren Point, some 15 miles from Plymouth. Under his right ear was a circular wound, which appeared to have been inflicted before his death, and, based upon a post-mortem examination of the lungs, the verdict of the coroner's jury stated that death had been caused by a blow rather than by drowning. Against the theory that the young man had lost his balance and accidentally fallen overboard was advanced the argument that the sea on the night of his disappearance was unusually calm and that the rails of the two main decks of the Kaiser Wilhelm II were high.

The circumstances of Loomis' disappearance from the ship will probably remain a mystery of the sea until all watery graves yield up their uncanny secrets.

INCOME
TAX
STRAW
VOTE

The easiest and most amusing pastime in the world is to play around with suggestions for new forms of taxation or for increasing the levels of existing taxes, with a neat and natural tendency to choose those least likely to affect the selector's own pocket.

Government has proposed Income Tax in Hong Kong as a special war contribution, in the belief that its incidence will be more equitable than any alternative tax or taxes.

A vote which provides a cross-section of public opinion on the straight issue is likely to prove more valuable than vague wanderings round the fiscal field, and the "China Mail" offers the following questionnaire to its readers:

INCOME TAX STRAW
VOTE

Do you approve of Income Tax in principle? . . . YES . . . NO

Do you approve the Government's tentative proposals? . . . YES . . . NO

Would you be affected by them? . . . YES . . . NO

If you feel the burden to be too heavy, would your objection be met (a) by an extension of the allowances . . . YES . . . NO

(b) by extension of the initial five per cent. basis to cover, say, the first \$6,000 of taxable income, against the first \$3,000 as now now proposed? . . . YES . . . NO

(c) or both? . . . YES . . . NO

Strike out the answer inapplicable.

The questions are posed on the basis that the purpose of Government's desire to raise additional revenue is endorsed.

Additional comment by readers will, of course, be welcomed.



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A tense moment during the Club-Navy Rugby game last Saturday on the Club ground.



Measuring the shot during the Gutierrez Shield match between Switzerland and Australia at the Kowloon Football Club on Sunday.



Another scene in the Rugby game between the Club and Navy at Happy Valley last Saturday.



Up for the ball on the Club ground last Saturday in the friendly Rugby match between the Club and the Army.



A line out during the Rugby game between the Club and Army last Saturday.

K.C.C. CRICKET ELEVENS

The following teams have been selected to represent Kowloon Cricket Club against Craigengower Cricket Club to-morrow:—

First XI (Away):—D. J. N. Anderson, K. M. Baxter, R. T. Broadbridge, G. Giffen, C. E. Green, D. Hung, B. D. Lay, R. D. Lloyd, T. A. Madar, W. L. Rapley and A. Zimmermann. Scorer: R. Leigh.

Second XI (Home):—W. Mulcahy, R. Baldwin, H. Brokenshire, G. G. Davies, G. A. Goodban, S. A. Gray, G. A. V. Hall, R. A. Harding, F. J. Lay, R. A. J. Simpson and C. Walker. Scorer: A. Wright. Umpire: Capt. Martin.

CLUB RUGBY TEAMS

There will be two games of Rugby Football on the Club ground at Happy Valley to-morrow. In the first game, which will commence at 3.15 p.m., Club "A" will play a Navy side. This game will be followed at 4.30 p.m. by a match between Club 1st XV and the Army. Dr. J. A. R. Selby will referee the 3.15 game and Lt. Cmdr. Lighton the later one. Club sides have been selected as follows:—

1st XV:—F. M. Thompson, D. I. Bonaguidi, B. C. Ray, H. D. Bidwell, D. H. Stewart, F. Cassford, J. R. Henderson, E. A. Bompas, K. W. Salter, A. W. Walkden (Captain), W. E. Peers, C. F. Needham, W. B. Richard-

FANLING STARTING TIMES

SUNDAY

Old Course

9.15 a.m.	A. McKellar, W. W. C. Shewan.
9.20 ..	C. D. N. Walker, L. M. Wylie.
9.24 ..	F. A. Redmond, A. B. Purves.
9.28 ..	P. E. Annis, E. J. Faggiano.
9.32 ..	D. Humphreys, P. S. Delany.
9.36 ..	A. N. and Q. A. A. Macfadyen.
9.40 ..	R. C. Gairdner, A. M. Mack.
9.44 ..	A. D. Humphreys, E. G. Price.
9.48 ..	N. K. Littlejohn, T. Low.
9.52 ..	R. P. Morris, H. S. Rees.
9.56 ..	C. F. Marshall, C. A. L. Rickett.
10.00 ..	J. B. Harrison, M. A. Annett.
10.04 ..	F. D. Hunter, I. H. Geare.
10.08 ..	J. M. Pearson, J. W. Mayhew.
10.12 ..	D. L. Prophet, W. Hewitt.
10.16 ..	L. M. S. Lloyd, G. C. Worrall.
10.20 ..	M. A. Johnson, A. G. Langston.
10.24 ..	D. S. Robb, R. Young.
10.28 ..	J. T. Smith, J. W. MacLeod.
10.32 ..	Col. Field, Major Morgan.
10.36 ..	J. P. Murphy, Major Temple.

New Course

9.28 a.m.	N. P. Fox, R. C. Stewart.
9.36 ..	Major Johnstone, Major Meek.
10.20 ..	Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Dennis.

Note: The "Belle" Car originally timed to leave Kowloon at 8.25 will now leave at 8.27 a.m.

son, A. J. G. Taylor and G. B. Godfrey.

"A" XV:—M. G. Carruthers, L. Lammert, G. S. Wilson, G. D. Day, H. van Leeuwen (Captain), J. Hutchison, E. C. Luscimbe, P. R. Wanklyn, O. A. Searle, E. W. Stout, L. de C. Blechynden, J. H. Thornhill, M. S. Banner, R. G. Castleton and H. W. B. Heath.

MOTHERS' ALL-NIGHT TRAMP

Hundreds of parents who had visited their evacuated children in country areas of Essex had to tramp through the night to their homes in London.

The local bus services and train services were quite inadequate to cope with the thousands of mothers and fathers who made the week-end visits. Motorists were stopped and asked for lifts, and many of them packed seven and eight foot-sore and weary parents into their cars.

"PITIFUL TO SEE THEM."

Mr. Robert Hart, of Hamilton-street, N.W.1, told the press: "After I picked up as many as I could get into my car I was stopped nine times in a mile or so. Other car drivers had the same experience."

Mrs. R. Dawney, of Epping, said: "It was pitiful to see the women and their menfolk tramping past. I have made innumerable pots of tea for them."

"They told me that it was like a Bank Holiday crush at the bus termini in the country."

"Many women I spoke to will have walked more than twenty miles by the time they get home."

CROWN PRINCE CYCLIST

The Crown Prince of Denmark may now be seen cycling through the streets of Copenhagen.

He has given up using his car in order to set an example to the Danish people, since the prohibition of the sale of petrol for private vehicles in Denmark as an economy measure.

SHOT OF THE SEASON

Fred Cullen Draws A Perfect One At Kowloon F.C.

PUTTING

BY BEST BALL

There are more variations in putting strokes than in any other phase of golf but few have greater simplicity of style than that of Bobby Jones illustrated above. Taking the club straight back from the ball, being careful that the putter head does not stray outside the line, Jones takes a wide backstroke. This helps smoothness and easy acceleration with no sign of jerkiness.

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GRAPHIC GOLF



this right angled alignment to the path.
Monday.—Body turn.

GUTIERREZ SHIELD

CHINA BEATS THE BOOK!

(By "SKIP")

HIGHLIGHT of the first round of the Gutierrez Shield was the defeat of Portugal by China. Even allowing for the fact that Portugal had to make several changes in her team it looked a 100 to 1 on the holders' winning — at least so a well-known bowler thought!

China, however, who also had to make a last-minute change, played a great game. Willie Hong Sling as lead was beating Leo Silva, who appeared to be out of practice most of the time, whilst Lim, of Kowloon Tong Club, was quite as good as the usually brilliant Leonard Xavier.

Spuggy Silva had one of his off days and could do nothing right whilst his opposite number, though erratic, came in useful at times.

Carlos Silva was the best—or the least bad — of the Portuguese rink whilst John Pau, playing a care-free game, played some excellent shots.

SCOTLAND WIN EASILY

Scotland eliminated Wales as expected but the margin was much greater than I anticipated. Jimmy Chalmers started brilliantly and although he went off slightly, he was always better than Channing.

Duncan put up some woods which were well up to the high standard of the game but he was not consistent: Willie Walker, his opponent was steadier.

Phillips was probably the best of the Welsh rink and he had the edge on Jack Fender, but Fred Jones was not up to scratch. Adam Holland was in fine fettle and often improved the situation.

Switzerland and Australia had a ding-dong struggle, which, on account of the late arrival of two of the Swiss players, finished just as darkness fell.

Jack was as good as his master, taking things all the way through, but the woods ran more kindly for the Swiss team especially for their skip whose heavy ones always went right. He had a couple of beautiful shots at the 20th. head, when his team was three to the good. Australia were counting a couple to trail by only one when he trailed the kitty nicely to secure three and leave Australia with six to get on the last head.

It could not be done though they managed half of them.

Kew was out of position as lead and Neaf had a slight edge on him but this was balanced by Reid who trundled a useful wood against Gaddi who was always handy, and, which is most important, never short.

Joe Landolt was poor and Bill way and Teddy Fincher had the beatings of the lower half of the rink except for those heavy ones of Rosset's.

LITTLE INTEREST

In the Second Round games India

easily overcame Malaya, who were without A. R. Dallah, their selected skip, for whom M. R. Abbas substituted.

The Indians ran into an early lead and steadily increased it, with the result that much of the interest was taken out of the game.

The winners played fairly steadily but U. M. Omar was as usual outstanding and probably likes the green still more now!

China put up quite a good fight against England and Bradbury had to be good to hold them.

Willies Hong Sling played a really brilliant game and was rarely more than a foot away from the jack. His display was the best on the whole green.

T. K. Lim was disappointing whilst Dr. Lam was not as good as on the previous day, though John Pau was possibly better.

Of the English team the skip was the best: Sam Randle was quite out-classed as lead whilst Frank Goodwin and Alf Hall were like the curate's egg.

In a game in which Scotland were definitely better than Ireland, I am told the woods ran kindly for the winners, Adam Holland at one time turning an adverse two into a four for his country by means of a drive, and repeating this a little later.

Chalmers met with strong opposition from Mulcahy after the first half dozen leads or so and the honours ultimately went to the Irishman. Willie Walker was better than P. J. Hamilton, whilst Lockhart though most consistent was not quite up to Fender's strength.

Bill Field, although playing on his green, could do little right so it sounds like a left-handed compliment to Holland to say he had the edge on him. I will qualify it, however, by saying that the Scot played very well.

BEATEN BY FAST GREEN

Switzerland beat the Philippines by 11 shots and were good value for the win: Joe Landolt was back to form, Rosset was much more consistent than on Saturday whilst Neaf also pulled his weight.

The Philippines team seemed to be beaten by the fast green which was playing beautifully: Dick Bass had one or two useful shots, although Doc Atienza, at home, possibly played the best game of the four.

Docks Overcome Relegation Bogey

(By "SKIP")

LAWN BOWLERS had a busy time last week-end. The last League match of the season took place at Kowloon Football Club where Kowloon Dock won their replayed match against Club de Recreio "B" and so retained their position in First Division; and two rounds of the Gutierrez International Shield were also played off, four games taking place at Kowloon Bowling Green Club on Saturday and three at the Kowloon Football Club the following day.

I heard the result of the former match with mixed feelings, which were aptly expressed by a neutral bowler after the match. "It must be disappointing," he said "to the Club de Recreio team to lose its place after one season in the Senior League but on the other hand I would not like to see Kowloon Dock in Second Division."

And I think them's the sentiments of quite a number of bowlers! Neither team was a full strength for this encounter. F.A. Machado, C.H. Basto and A. M. Xavier all being absent from the losers' side, whilst the Dock team had Bob Morrison away.

Johnny Kempton was again the hero of the day as he had a big win over John Basto, whose rink appeared to be very strong.

KEMPTON'S BIG WIN

C. F. Remedios was playing lead but he had no advantage over Houston who again caught the eye, whilst "Young Bob" (Lapsley) held B. Basto as second man. J. C. Brown, whose partnership with Kempton has been so productive, was playing better than Chico Ribeiro I thought, whilst Kempton was the better of the skips.

His 16 shot win allayed any fears on the other rinks which were keeping pretty even throughout.

Sammy Gray, deputising for Morrison, tied with A.A. Remedios thanks to a brilliant shot with his very last wood. One down at that stage and

with the enemy counting about three, he drew right onto the kitty, amid merited applause from both sides. Glen Cooper, for whom Colin Logan, a reserve, and Fred Cullen, played well, was just able to gain a few shots on F. X. Soares, who it is only fair to add, was given two reserves; not that they failed him unless perhaps on the score of experience where I thought Doc Rodriguez' instructions were not always right.

"Corney" Pereira was good for the King's Park rink but Fred Cullen played what I am going to call "the shot of the season," at the sixth or seventh head.

Pereira had first of all moved the jack, only for his wood to drop into the ditch some three feet away. Neither Lapsley (senior) nor Logan could get near but O. P. Remedios, with a beautiful shot, trailed the jack into the ditch to remain exactly 10 inches away—it was measured.

FORLORN HOPE

It looked a certain shot and quite candidly I walked away to another rink, whilst the remaining woods of the head were to be rolled up.

But Fred Cullen perhaps not realising how hopeless the position was, drew an absolutely perfect shot onto the edge of the green and got the shot by almost an inch! The applause brought me back in time for the measure!



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ON Tuesday the Army Tennis League and various competitions came to their official conclusion.

Main centre of attraction of course was the final match for the team championship between R.A.O.C. and R.A.M.C. The game was a very exciting affair and fluctuated a good deal before Ordnance finally managed to clinch victory.

Sgts. Emberson and Duffield of Ordnance, both brilliant singles players, were teamed together and were unbeaten in their three sets.

Their closest set was that in which they met Lt-Col. Smith and Major Harvey, the latter taking four games.

With these two players taking three sets, only two further sets were needed for victory, but the Medicals made a fine recovery and the final score was five sets to four, both other Ordnance pairs conceding two sets to their opponents. The weak link in the Medicals team was the Musson-Milne combination which failed to win a single set.

In the singles Cpl. Webb of R.A.M.C. became the new Army Champion by defeating Cpl. Martin, R.A.S.C. I think the final scores were 6-4, 6-3. Martin was inclined to be erratic at times but with more experience should develop into a very good player indeed. He has all the shots, but is inclined to execute them rather rashly at times. This game was played last

ARMY SPORTLIGHT

(By "SQUADY")

week and did not take place with the other finals.

ACCORDING to "Indignant Medical" I have not done justice to the R.A.M.C. Billiard team. I might quite possibly have been a little pessimistic when dealing with the chances of R.A.M.C. against the Volunteers, but I still think that my idea that the Medicals will not stand a 'dog's' chance is not very far from the truth. However, the old proverb of 'wait and see' is a good one, and we will.

Finalists for the Individual Billiards Championship have now been decided and Cpl. Hildyard, R.A.M.C., meets Private Gordon, 2/R. Scots. I must say that when given these two names as finalists I was rather surprised as I had confidently expected some of the well known local players of last season to put up a good show and for at least one of them to get to the last round.

I have not seen either of this year's finalists play and so cannot offer any opinion on their chances, but I know from the results that Hildyard has been putting up some good performances in team matches.

It seems likely that Royal Scots will make further changes in their First Division football side. The dropping of McDonald last week-end came as a surprise to everybody as he had been mooted as being their best forward. Indeed I considered him to be easily the best they had. No doubt, however, there is a reason for this best known to the selection committee.

The promotion of Parnaby from the Third Division team appeared to be a success as he played quite a useful game although appearing to require a few more outings in this class of football before becoming quite used to the opposition.

A big worry in the Scots side is likely to be the replacement of Fraser when the time comes. Fraser is not getting any younger and I should imagine that this is likely to be his last season in this class of football, although he is at present giving performances equal to the best of others. I think it likely that later in the season the "Royals" selection

committee will be trying out one or two younger men in this position in order to be ready when the inevitable retirement of 'Safety' Fraser occurs.

AN interesting handbook will shortly be published by Hong Kong Area Sports Board. It is to contain all the latest sports fixtures as regards Army units in Hong Kong and will give the probable dates of boxing meetings, athletic meetings, etc. in the New Year.

ARMY CRICKET XI

The following team has been selected to represent the Army against Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, at Sookumpoo on Sunday, starting at 11 a.m.

Capt. C. E. Godby (H.K.S.R.A.) (captain), Lt-Col. M. S. Treversham M.C., (5th/6th Rajput Rif.), Major W. G. Harvey (R.A.M.C.), Major J. E. Swyer (R.A.M.C.), Capt. J. F. Lawrence (R.I.A.S.C.), Capt. D. C. E. Grose (R.E.), Lieut. P. J. T. Skipwith (8th Hvy. Regt. R.A.), Sgt. Denyer (R.E.), Dvr. Logan (R.A.S.C.), Gnr. Barsby (5th A. A. Regt. R.A.), Pte. Hatfield (1/Middlesex Regt.)

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BOWLING ALLEY JOTTINGS

J.J. SHEEHAN'S SPLENDID SCORE DURING WEEK

(By "STRIKE")

ON SUNDAY EVENING the first "duck-pin" match ever to have been played in Hong Kong took place at the Alley between teams representing U.S.S. Tulsa and "The Rest."

The Tulsa team was composed of H. S. Baker, Christiansen, J. A. Vasco and J. Gelenko, while the Rest was made up of R. Tidd, Doc. Molthen, Dick Venezia and R. H. Duddridge. Tulsa won by 137 pins, the scores being

Tulsa 1,960 points
Rest 1,823 points

I was a trifle surprised at the large attendance which appears to indicate the growing popularity of this game.

There was little doubt that the team from the American gunboat was superior but it must be borne in mind that this outfit concentrate hard on duck-pins, whereas the Rest team was composed of the cream of the Colony's ten-pin players.

PROMISING DISPLAYS

Nevertheless Doc Molthen and Dick Venezia did very well at the unaccustomed game. The latter averaged 95 pins, and the Doc 83. These performances are very promising having regard to the fact that in duck-pins anybody who can average 100 is considered to be fairly "hot stuff."

Duddridge averaged 95 and Tidd, although he holds the Alley record for the month with 142, could only manage to average 92.

For Tulsa, J. A. Vasco was top-scorer for the match with 506 or an average of 101, J. Yalenko was second with an average of 99, C. Christiansen third with 97, and H. S. Baker a good fourth with 95.

It was a very exciting game and thoroughly appreciated by the spectators.

The draw for the 4th. Tourney, Ewo League, took place on Friday. There are 18 entries in the 1st round, which must be played off by the 14th. of next month. The remainder have drawn byes.

Following is the draw:—

Glamourettes v H. and S. Bank.
Strollers v Bears
P.W.D. v Bowlers
Black Dog v Aspirants
Gunners v Pokfulum's Pride.

The organisers of the League would appreciate these teams getting together as soon as possible and arranging to get their games played off without delay. The manager of the Alleys will allocate dates on application.

The Ewo League, in this the fourth tourney, has every appearance of being interesting.

OLD FRIENDS

Our old friends of U.S.S. Mindanao are once again in port and the opportunity will be taken of arranging a duck-pin or a ten-pin match at an early date. The whole of the ship's company are keen bowlers and never miss an opportunity of getting into action against one of the local teams.

On Monday evening an interesting match was played between the Gunroom Officers and Petty Officers of H.M.S. Kent. It was a six-a-side contest but owing to lack of time only two games each were played.

Gunroom was represented by Sub-Lt. P. M. Milligan, Pay Sub-Lt. C. C. Dunlop, Pay Sub-Lt. G. C. Clarabut, Mid. A. Carew-Hunt, Mid. R. M. Yorke and Mid. C. D. Brownrigg.

Carrying the colours of the Petty Officers were A. Flint, W. Godden, R. H. Holness, W. Hambrook, C. Denny and W. Bird.

The latter won by 152 pins the scores being:

P.O.'s 1,345
Gunroom 1,193

There was no brilliant scoring on the part of any of the players but performances were promising in view of the fact that owing to the exigencies of the service, little opportunity is afforded for practice.

That the game was thoroughly enjoyed by all who took part is evidenced by the vociferous "vocal accompaniment" and good-natured barracking that attended the efforts of both teams.

SPLENDID FEAT

I referred in an earlier article to the high scores chalked up in the match between the Tulsa and the Champs on the 16th. On that occasion W. Michals put up 254. Even this fine figure, topped on Tuesday when J. J. Sheehan of Mindanao, put together a 257.

This was made up as follows: four spares, eight strikes, on leaving one pin up on each of the four spares. This is truly a remarkable achievement and will take a good deal of beating.

To date only two higher scores have been returned, namely, 264 by Sapper Fawcett, R.E., and 266 by Sapper Bell, R. E.

FOOTBALL TEAMS

FIRST DIVISION

The following are some of the soccer teams for this week-end:

K.F.C.—Smith; Everest and A. Ulrich; Maxwell, Williamson and P. Bell; W. Knox, P. Jorge, Jackson, V. White and A. Eastman.

SECOND DIVISION

5th R.A.—McCadden; Corbin and Johnstone, Waddington, Winstanley and Lawton, McCamley, Craven, Carley, Turner, McEwen and Kirby.

Royal Signals—Kennard; Taylor and Stinks; Dignan, Parry and Hutchison; Butcher, Pitcher, Brakenberry, Bundy and Husband.

THIRD DIVISION

5th R.A.—Mulligan; Scullion and Chaplin; Barraclough, Hudson and Leach; Berkely, Taylor, Andrus, Dobbinson and Willis.

Reserves—Clegg and O'Hara. Royal Signals—Neunham; Wellis and Fields; Hollands, Smith and Murphy; Wallwork; Price, Cotton, Scully Marsden and Medford.

LADIES' HOCKEY TEAMS

C.B.A.

Miss D. Moss; Miss B. Parsons, Mrs. M. Wilnot; Miss P. Everest, Miss I. Woolley (Capt.), Miss H. Laihovet-sky; Miss I. Cunningham, Miss A. Smith, Miss E. Woolley, Miss M. Quick, Miss P. Whitley.

ST. ANDREW'S

Miss G. Darby; Miss M. Newman, Miss J. Broadbridge; Miss P. Jeffries, Mrs. M. Vessoon, Miss E. Banker; Miss I. Hicks; Miss H. May, Miss B. Longbottom, Miss K. Doughty, Miss H. O'Sullivan.

SPORTS PARADE

AT long last information is to hand regarding Craigenower Cricket Club—much discussed recently in view of the fact that three members of their team of last season have joined Kowloon Cricket Club, and there were strong rumours that their best bat, George Souza, intended joining Club de Recreio.

Their team for to-morrow to oppose Kowloon Cricket Club is a strong one, and, if representative of their strength, they need have little trepidation regarding their prospects in the League.

Ernie Zimmern, that very sound batsman, has been re-elected captain, and there is no shrewder captain in Hong Kong. He will lead the team against K.C.C.

Other batsmen in the side are A. R. H. Esmail, F. R. Zimmern, A. T. Lee, G. Souza, H. P. Lim, A. K. Ismail and A. J. Hulse, the latter the former D.B.S. star. In addition, Bill Hong Sling has a fairly shrewd idea where the middle of the bat is located. The last named will probably keep wickets as he has done fairly frequently in recent seasons.

In the bowling line there is F. R. Zimmern, to use the new ball, and P. J. Billimoria, the left-hander, to open the attack, with changes in A. T. Lee, G. Souza, A. K. Ismail (left-hand) and A. J. Hulse.

To me that looks a very good team, adequate in batting and with variety in attack. There should also be little given away in the field.

Despite all that has been said about the likelihood of their having difficulty in raising a side strong enough for First Division, I shall not be surprised if they put it across K.C.C. well and truly to-morrow.

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TRIAL teams in order to select the Kowloon ladies' team for the forthcoming hockey match against the Island have been released.

I am not aware of the composition of the selection committee but there do appear to be one or two unfortunate omissions as well as the selection of some players for strange positions.

Whites' half-back line looks to me to be the probable one but having regard to the capabilities of the three players selected—Miss H. Reid, Miss I. Woolley and Miss J. Wong—why are they being lined up in that order? I am assuming of course that the teams as published will line up as published.

As far back as I can remember, Miss Jessie Wong the fastest half-back in the Colony, has been a pivot. She is to play on the left! Miss Woolley, whilst now a centre-half has played for years as right-half. Similarly Miss Reid, who is now being asked to play on the right, has always been a left-half and in that position could be expected to give of her best.

Surely then, with this material, there is no reason why a half-back line should not be selected with all units playing in the positions they are used to. They should certainly be able to do themselves more justice in those positions.

Another query—why Miss Florrie Wong on the left-wing? To my knowledge she has always played on the right, usually the wing.

It is against my policy to comment to the detriment of a player once selected, on the argument that players are not responsible for their own selections and criticism would only tend to make them over-anxious, but it does seem to me that there is better material available having regard to the number of Mainland clubs.

And I simply cannot overlook the overlooking of Miss Marie da Roza, the St. Andrew's left-back. Her performances to date have been brilliant and I would unhesitatingly name her as being in line for any Interport side that was being selected.

Were I selecting the team I would name the following: Miss J. Hall; Miss G. White and Miss M. da Roza; Miss I. Woolley, Miss J. Wong and Miss H. Reid; Miss M. Smalley, Miss F. Wong, Miss D. McCaw; Miss B. Barker and Miss C. Remedios or Miss M. Shand.

SOFTBALL

WAHOOS TROUNCE CUBS

The formidable Wahoos, runners-up in the girls' league last year, trounced the Cubs on Wednesday at the Diocesan Girls' School by 13 to 6, in a friendly game.

Harold Winglee's green-shirted Owls showed that they had been practising diligently since the beginning of the season, much to the chagrin of mentor Bill Smith, whose girls were somewhat rusty from a long lay-off.

Heavy hitters were leftfielder Jeanne Yolle whose round tripper to right field was the longest belt of the day, followed by flinger Vivienne Churn's and first sacker Yvonne Yolle's triples. Ethel Hicks, rookie Cub outfielder, and third baseman-de-luxe Jacqueline Anderson both poled doubles.

Outstanding hurler was Therese Noronha, who fanned nine but walked five to Vivienne Churn's two whiffs and two passes. Irene Castilho, regular shortstop of the Wahoos, took a turn on the mound for a third of an inning and walked two before she was derricked.

Outhit 10 to 6, the Bruins were also tardy on the base paths although they were chalked up with more stolen bases,—double the four of the Owls.

The Cubs certainly miss the services of those two sisters who were last season's stars, Gabby and Peewee Chang, who are now in the Hawaiian Islands. In Peewee's place on the hill, Vivienne Churn is filling it creditably, and two Cubs are now fighting for the backstop berth, last year's left-terman Kitty Bush and Myra Hutchinson, sister of the local swimmer, Dave.

Only one long clout was hit to the pastures by the Wahoos that had a handle on it and leftfielder Maisie Reis squeezed it with all the aplomb of a veteran.

In chalking up eleven bobbles to the Wahoos' four, the Cubs showed that they have need of much more practice in picking up daisy cutters. And, they'll be hard at it from now until the girls' league commences.

BOWLS CHAMPIONS

The following lawn bowls championships for 1939 have been decided: Club de Recreio—J. Luz (senior); C. F. Vas (junior).

Kowloon C.C.—E. C. Fincher.



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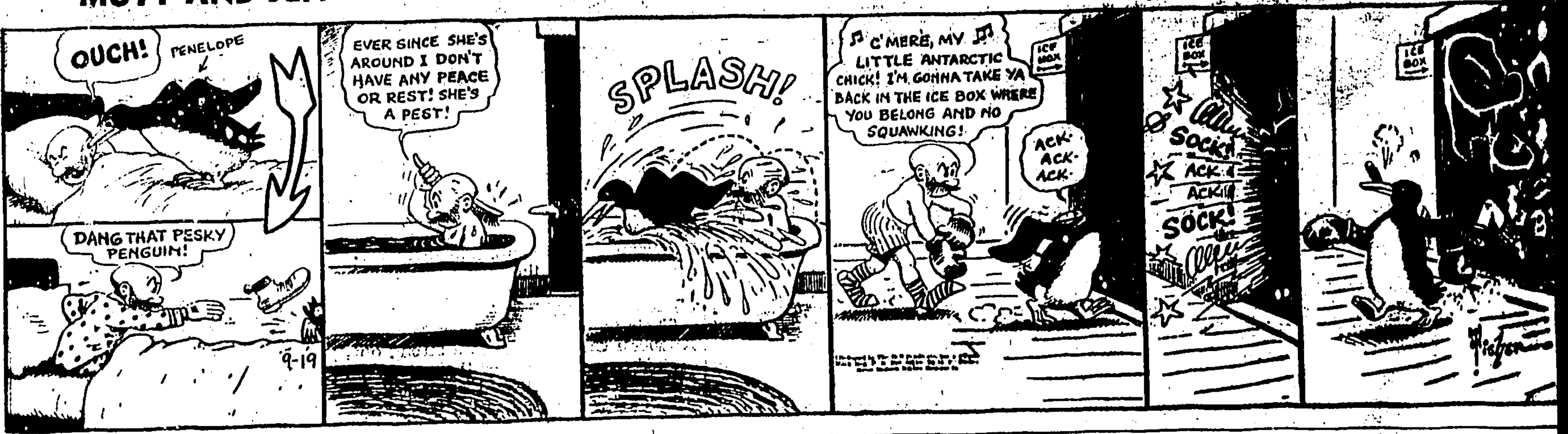
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12.47 p.m.—Some Schubert Songs by Elena Gerhardt (Mezzo-Soprano). Fischerweiser; The Fishermans; The Secret; The Post; The Rose-Garden....with Piano accomp. by Coenraad V. Bos.
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
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1.45 p.m.—Elsie & Doris Waters, Dick Powell and the Mills Brothers. Comedienne—Gert and Daisy Make A Christmas Pudding (E. & D. Waters)...Elsie & Doris Waters. Vocal—Caravan (Ellington); The Flat Foot Floogie (Green & Others)...The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar). Vocal—I'm Goin' Shoppin' With You (from 'Gold Diggers of 1935'); Lullaby Of Broadway (from 'Gold Diggers of 1935')....Dick Powell

with Orchestra. Comedienne—Gert, Daisy, A Piano—And How! (E. & D. Waters)...Elsie & Doris Waters. Vocal—Sixty Seconds Got Together (David); Julius Caesar (Rogers)...The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar). 2.15 p.m.—Close down. 6.00 p.m.—Variety & Dance Music. Vocal—Deep Shadows (Meskill-White); When Did You Leave Heaven? (film 'Sing, Baby, Sing')...Frances Langford with Orch. Fox-Trots—Whoa Babe!; Spooky Takes A Holiday...Nat Gonella & His Georgians. Humorous—Building A Chicken House (Evans)...Will Evans. Fox-Trots—Shall We Dance (from the film); Slap That Bass (film 'Shall we Dance')....Harry Roy & His Orchestra. Vocal—Medley of Songs From Shirley Temple Pictures...Mae Questal (The Betty Boop Girl) with Orchestra. Guitar—Feeling My Way—Fox-Trot; Pickin' My Way—Fox-Trot....Eddie Lang with Guitar accomp. by Carl Kress. Fox-Trots—They All Laughed (film 'Shall we Dance'); I've Got Beginner's Luck (film 'Shall we Dance')....Harry Roy & His Orch. Vocal—South Sea Island Magic (Long); Me And The Moon (Hadden)...Bing Crosby with Orch. Fox-Trots—How Could You? (film 'San Quentin'); Don't Play With Fire...Eddie Carroll & The Casani Club Orchestra.

(Winkler).....Joe Bund & His Orchestra. Serenade from "Frasquita" (Lehar); Jalousie—Tango (Gade)...Emil Roosz & His Orchestra. 8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements. 8.03 p.m.—Next week's programmes. 8.07 p.m.—Smetana—Moldau (from 'My Country'). Czech Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Rafael Kubelik. 8.20 p.m.—Studio—Recital by Pellegatti (Cello), Tonoff (Violin) and Ore (Piano). D'Alessio Trio. 1st Movement—Allegro Moderato 2nd Movement—Andante. 3rd Movement—Scherzo Fugato. 4th Movement—Tarantella. 8.50 p.m.—Vaughan Williams—Serenade to Music. Sir Henry Wood conducting the B.B.C. Orchestra. Soloists: I. Baillie, S. Allen, E. Suddaby, E. Turner, M. Balfour, A. Desmond, M. Brunskill, M. Jarred, H. Nash, W. Widdop, P. Jones, F. Titterton, R. Henderson, R. Easton, H. Williams and N. Allin. 9.05 p.m.—Studio—Comments on Recent Events. 9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News. 9.30 p.m.—Coleridge-Taylor—"Tiawatha" (The Death of Minnehaha). Sung by the Royal Choral Society conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargent. 10.05 p.m.—Orchestra Raymonde. Berceuse (Jarnet); Stephanie Gavotte (Cibulka—arr. Altendorff); Parade Of The City Guards (Jessel); A Musical Snuff Box (Lia-dow). 10.15 p.m.—Dance Programme. Fox-Trots—It Looks Like Rain In Cherry Blossom Lane; In An Old Cathedral Town....Jack Harris & His Orchestra. Novelty—Quicksteps—Eccentric; Three Brass Bells....Henry Hall & His Orchestra. Tangos—Novia; Desconfale....Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro. Waltzes—Where Are The Songs We Sung (from 'Operette'); Dearest Love (from 'Operette')...Noel Coward....Carroll Gibbons & the Savoy Hotel Orchestra. Quickstep—Don't You Care What Anyone Says; Slow Fox-Trot—When Two Love Each Other....Gerry Moore (Piano). Fox-Trots—Manhattan Holiday; Amoresque....Jack Harris & His Orchestra. 6/8 One-Step—Have You Anything On To-night, Matilda; Darling?; Fox-Trot—With My Little Horse and Wagon....Bram Martin & His Band.



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ACTION INDICATED

The overall at the range of two, while in no sense a forcing bid, nearly always indicates a substantial suit and at the same time there is the chance that the player so overcalling will have some side strength. Hence, if partner has some strength himself, he should carefully consider inviting game, particularly if he can do so in no-trump.

East, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

♠ Q 10 6
♥ 7 5
♦ K 2
♣ A 5 J 9 7 5
♠ A K J
♥ A J 8 6 4
♦ 9 8 3
♣ Q 2
♠ 8 5 4
♥ 9 3 2
♦ Q J 10 7
♣ 10 4 3
♠ 9 7 8 2
♥ K Q 10
♦ A 8 5 4
♣ 8 6

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
Pass	Pass	1♥	2♣
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	

This hand was played in the Master's Pair Championship at Asbury Park, N.J. At every table where South did bid two no-trump, his partner promptly raised to three, and either three or four-odd was made, depending on just how the defence was handled. At those tables where South decided to use the "ostrich"

system and pass, North always managed to make four clubs for a bad score.

Yesterday you were Merwin Maier's partner and held:

♠ A K 7 6 5 4 3 2
♥ 10
♦ A 2
♣ A 2

The bidding:

Burnstone	Maier	Schenken	You
Pass	Pass	Pass	(?)

ANSWER: Your correct opening bid is two spades. This hand offers distinct slam possibilities and is very likely to produce game with no assistance from your partner whatsoever. Score 100% for two spades, 70% for one spade (there is little danger of a one-spade bid being passed all around table), 0 for three or four spades (never pre-empt with a strong hand.)

QUESTION NO. 242

Neither side is vulnerable. You are Oswald Jacoby's partner and hold:

♠ K J J
♥ K J J
♦ K Q 10 9
♣ K J J

The bidding:
♠ K J J
♥ K J J
♦ K Q 10 9
♣ K J J
♠ K J J
♥ K J J
♦ K Q 10 9
♣ K J J
♠ K J J
♥ K J J
♦ K Q 10 9
♣ K J J

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ROOSEVELT BROADCAST TO NATION

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt, in a broadcast address to the nation last night, denounced the agitation being fostered over the possibility of American youth being sent to war.

The United States, he affirmed, was a neutral and had no intention of getting involved in war, though it was impossible to be neutral in thought as well as in deed, because Americans were thinking things over calmly without prejudice and making up their minds about the relative merits of current events abroad.

The country and Congress had now learned, he said, to recognise "organised propaganda," (presumably a reference to the flood of letters and telegrams which have swamped members of Congress demanding that there must be no repeal of the arms embargo. — Reuter.

ABDUCTION OF EDITOR

Chungking, To-day.

Mystery surrounds the disappearance of Mr. Hsia Jen-ling, city editor of the "Chinese-American Daily News" in Shanghai, since Wednesday night, according to a Shanghai report.

Mr. Hsia left his home in Avenue Dubail, French Concession, after dinner on Wednesday for his office as usual, but he never reached the office, nor has he returned home.

The "Chinese-American Daily News" is a strongly anti-Wang Chingwei paper. — Central News.

GERMAN PLANE INTERNED

Amsterdam, To-day.

The Danish authorities yesterday confiscated a German pursuit plane which landed in Northern Schleswig after the pilot had lost his way.

The pilot and crew were interned.

The pursuit plane was from the "Red Devil Squadron," a continuation of the famous Richtofen Squadron of the last war. — Reuter.

FORGED NOTE CASE

Arrested in possession of a forged \$10 banknote at the Tai Hing wharf in Connaught Road Central yesterday, Chan Tin, 34, unemployed was charged before Mr. R. Edwards this morning.

The banknote purported to be a \$10 bill of the Chartered Bank. Defendant said he knew the banknote was forged, but he made no attempt to use it.

Hearing was adjourned. Bail of \$2,000 was allowed.

SUBMARINE WRECK

London, To-day.

The Admiralty announce that the shattered wreck of a U-boat was found yesterday on the Goodwin Sands. — Reuter.

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Kwang Chow Wan, To-day.

Japanese warships and many armed trawlers are concentrating off Pakhoi. The Chinese authorities are taking precautions against a possible attempt to land. — Our Own Correspondent.

London, To-day.

The possible re-orientation of Hitler's internal policy in the direction of Communism as a means of extricating the Nazi leaders from the recently acquired embarrassments is canvassed by students of politics in countries bordering on Germany and is the theme of an article by the diplomatic correspondent of "The Times" to-day.

There is evidence from Germany that such a move is meeting with some encouragement in the Nazi Party, says the correspondent.

Hitler himself, as "Mein Kampf" shows, never had any liking for the Junker landowners or the large-scale capitalists and his treatment of the industrialists shows that they are expected to be as docile as the rest of the German public.

Developments in the last three years have exploded the theory which was so strongly encouraged by Russian Communist propaganda that Nazi-ism was merely the tool of the great capitalist interests.

German financiers and industrialists and merchants are all in the grip of the Party machine against which they have no means of resistance.

Apart from a desire to weaken elements which are often critical and might turn hostile, the Nazi Party and Hitler may see in a leftward movement a possible way of circumventing future difficulties.

It might make the Russo-German Pact a mere genuine affair that it is now and would certainly help the Fuhrer to revive German morale by representing themselves as defenders of the German masses against the predatory capitalists of the West. — Reuter.

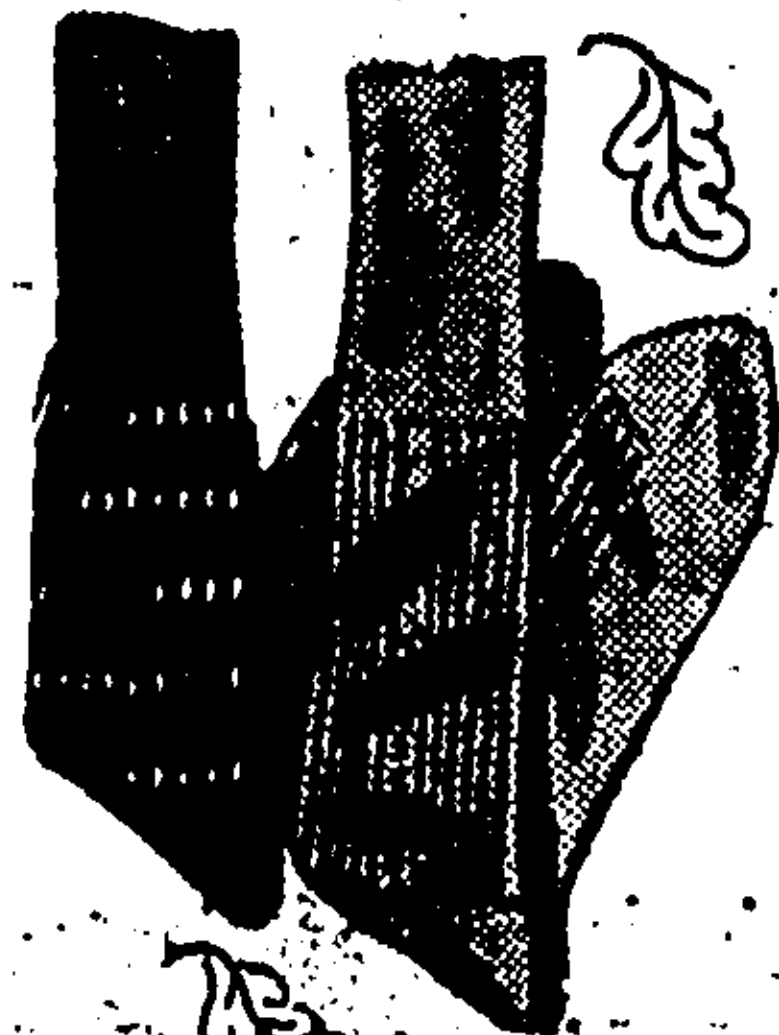
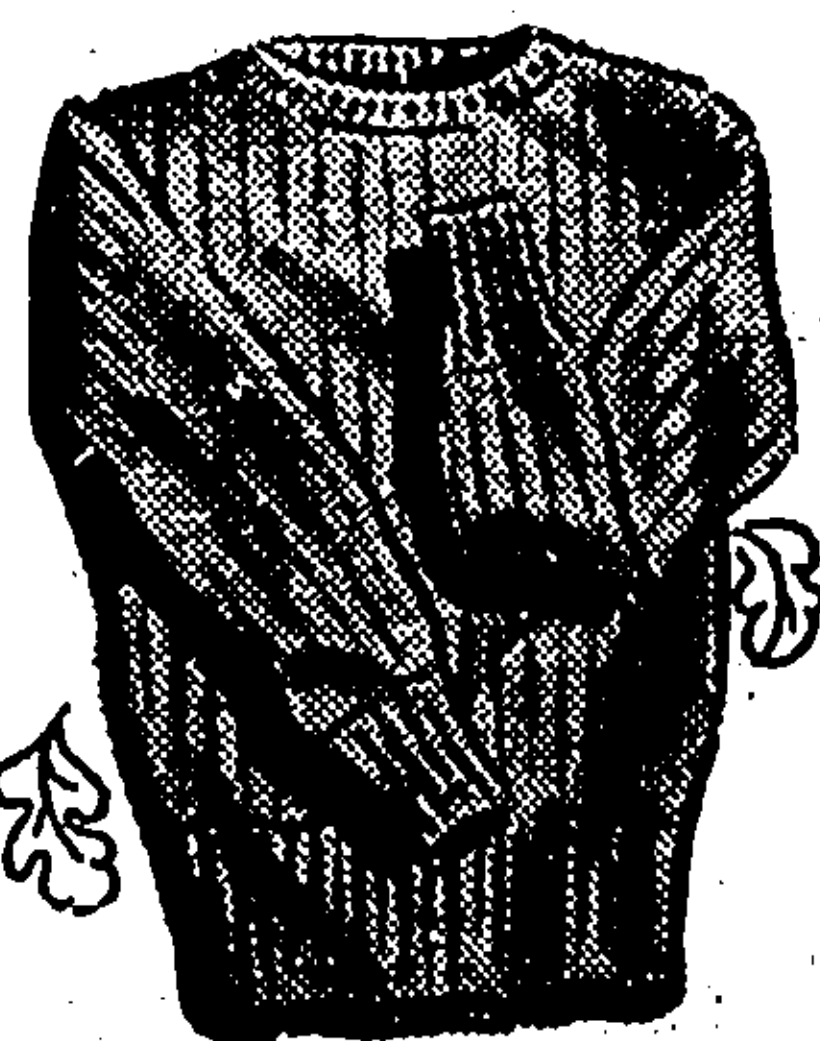
Macao, To-day.

Traffic was restored on the Macao-Shek-ki highway to-day, but passengers had to change buses at certain points along the road as a number of small bridges have not yet been completely repaired.

Japanese planes continue to appear over different parts of the district. — Our Own Correspondent.

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